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Since the team rescued the group's newest member, the cyber boy Asher, from the corporate megalomaniac, Drazic, their world has been in constant turmoil. Devyn and Molli find their bandit crew forced to do the bidding of an underworld gangster, Sir Penny, after borrowing and destroying his favorite ship, The Dark Lightning.

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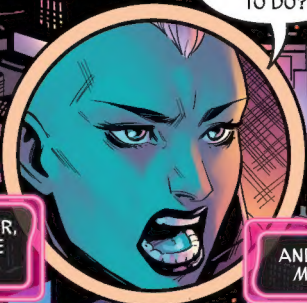
LET'S GO,
GUYS. WE'RE
APPROACHING
OUR TARGET.



YEAH, LET'S GO. LET'S GO
PUT OUR LIVES ON THE
LINE FOR MY MISTAKE.

DEVYN, MY FLAWLESS OLDER SISTER,
IS LEADING US INTO A MISSION WE
MIGHT NOT WALK AWAY FROM.

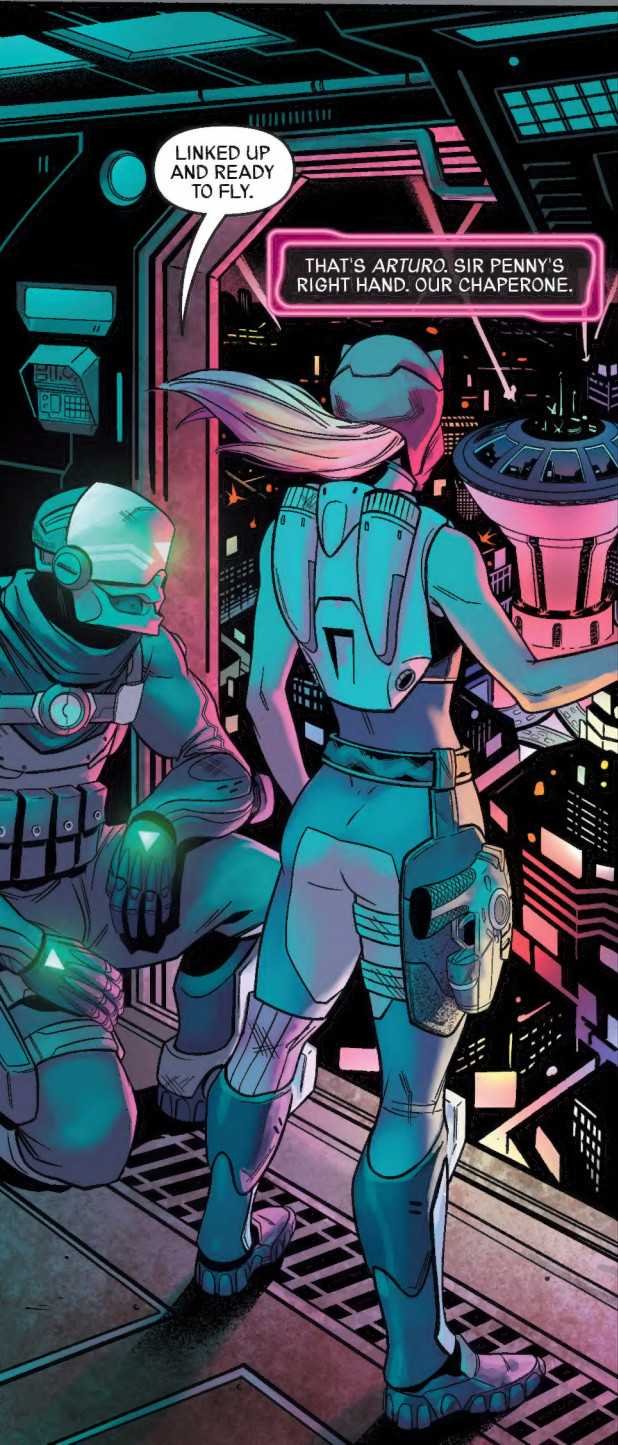
EVERYONE
READY TO DO
THIS THING WE
DON'T WANT TO
BUT HAVE
TO DO?



AND IT'S ALL
MY FAULT.

LINKED UP
AND READY
TO FLY.

THAT'S ARTURO. SIR PENNY'S
RIGHT HAND. OUR CHAPERONE.



MOLLI?

NOT
NOW, KYO.

MOLLI, I DON'T
UNDERSTAND WHY
YOU CAN'T JUST
SAY YES.

I SAID
NOT NOW!

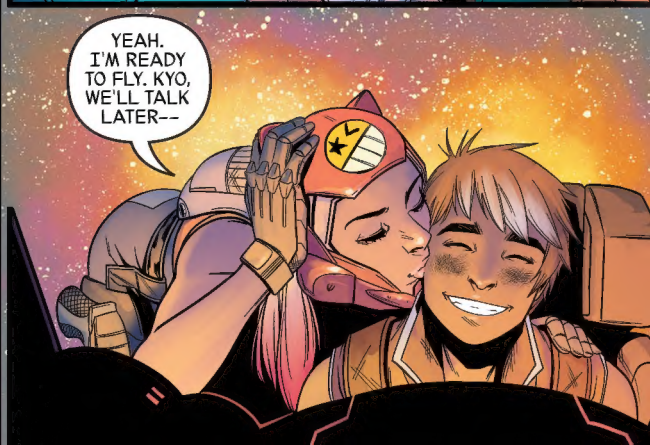
SERIOUSLY,
MAN? YOU'RE
HAVING A
RELATIONSHIP
ARGUMENT
NOW?

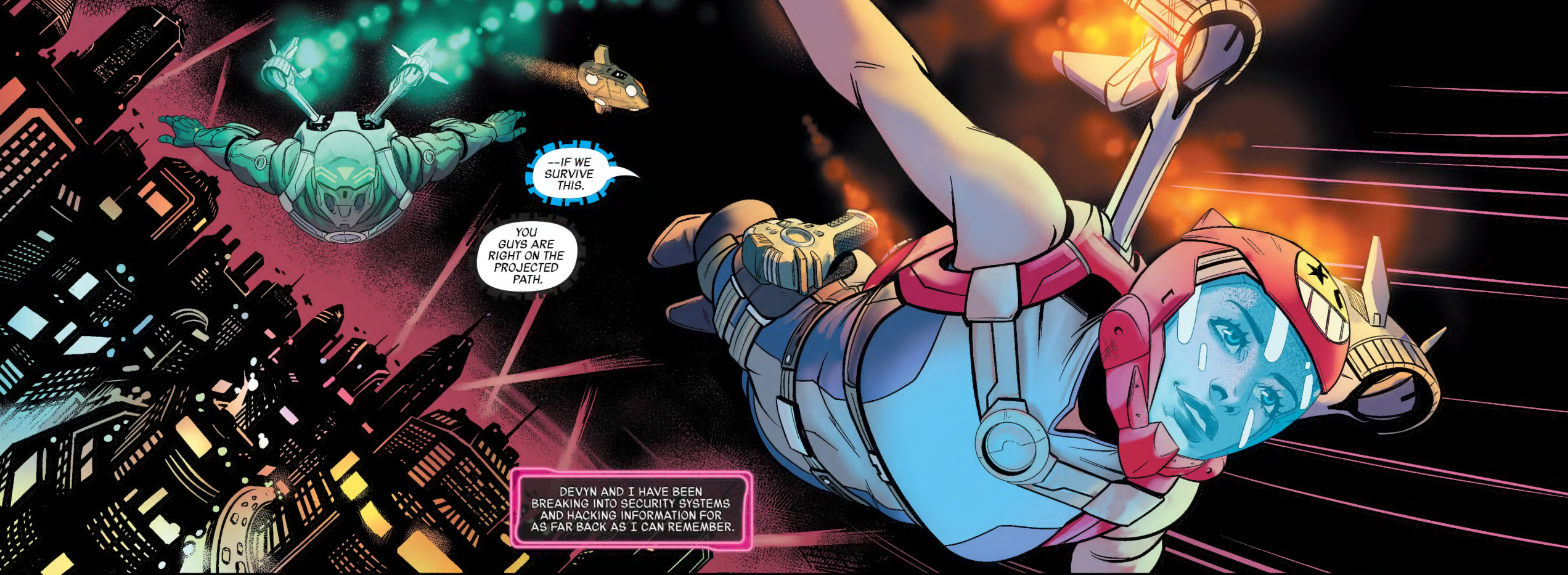


I AGREE
WITH ARTURO.
LET'S ALL FOCUS
AT THE TASK AT
HAND. MOLLI?



YEAH.
I'M READY
TO FLY. KYO,
WE'LL TALK
LATER--





--IF WE SURVIVE THIS.

YOU GUYS ARE RIGHT ON THE PROJECTED PATH.

DEVYN AND I HAVE BEEN BREAKING INTO SECURITY SYSTEMS AND HACKING INFORMATION FOR AS FAR BACK AS I CAN REMEMBER.



CORPORATIONS ARE GREEDY-- PROFITING FROM EVERY MORSEL OF NEW TECHNOLOGY.



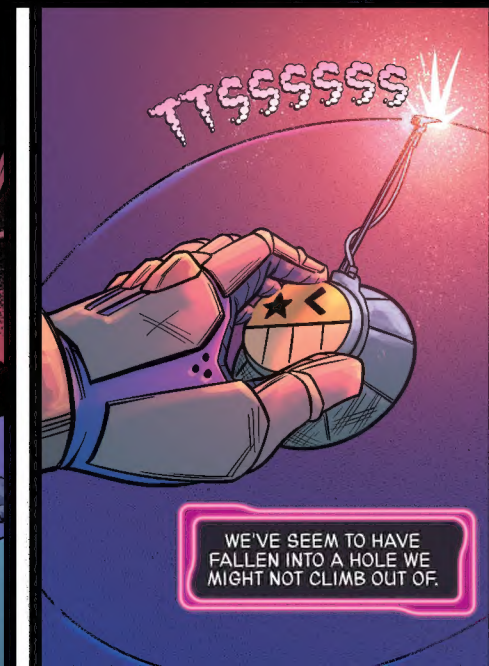
OUR PARENTS TAUGHT US INFORMATION SHOULD BE SHARED, NOT PROFITED FROM.

MY PUNK FRIENDS AND I HAVE GOTTEN REALLY GOOD AT PULLING OFF TECH HEISTS.



UMPF!

JUST WHEN WE STARTED TO MAKE A NAME FOR OURSELVES



TTSSSSSS

WE'VE SEEM TO HAVE FALLEN INTO A HOLE WE MIGHT NOT CLIMB OUT OF.



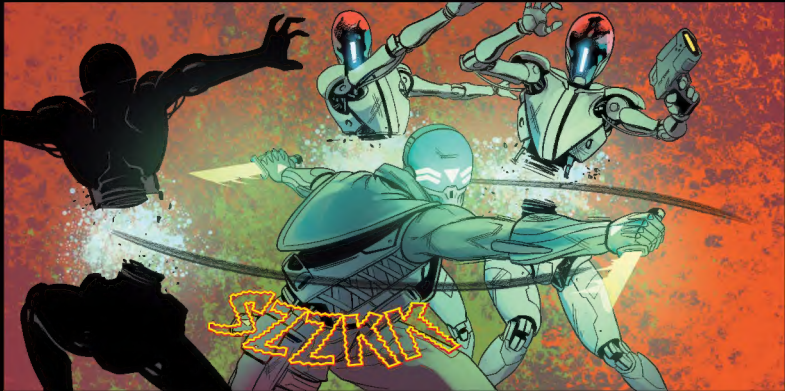
BAD NEWS, GUYS. THEY MUST HAVE MADE A SECURITY UPGRADE RECENTLY. THE SILENT ALARM HAS BEEN TRIGGERED. MISSION IS STILL A GO.



STAY SHARP. SECURITY BOTS HAVE BEEN ALERTED TO YOUR LOCATION.

THEY'RE ALREADY HERE, KYO.

I GOT THESE.



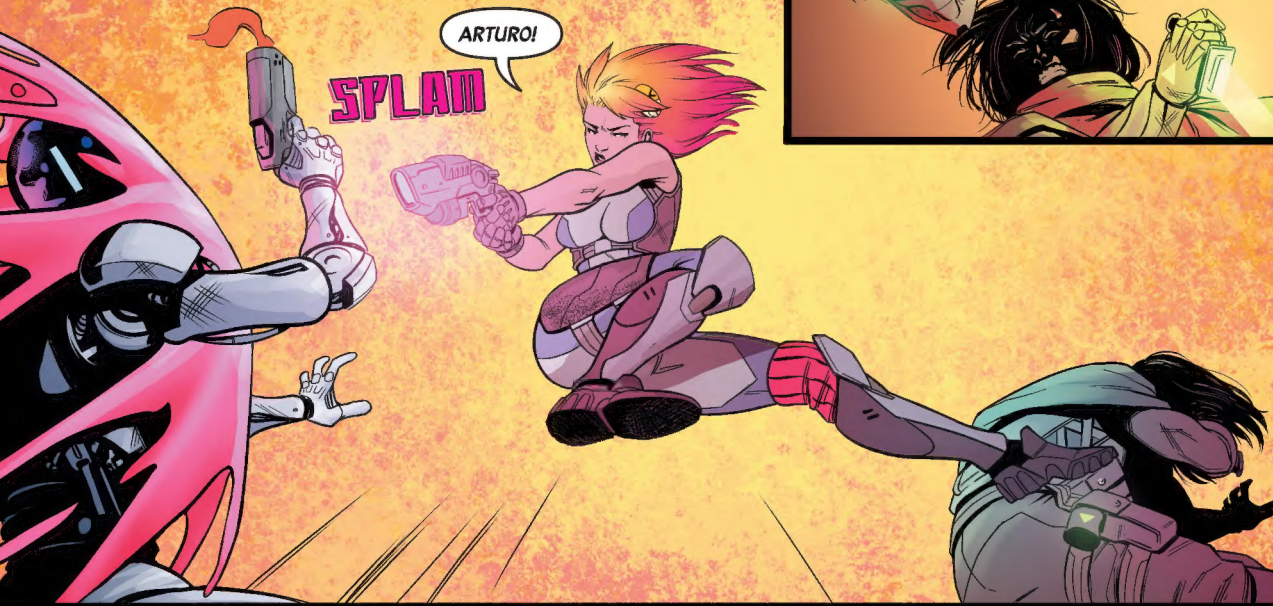
NICE MOVES, ARTURO. YOU'RE A BETTER FIGHTER THAN I THOUGHT.

THWUP

THWUP



BZZRAK

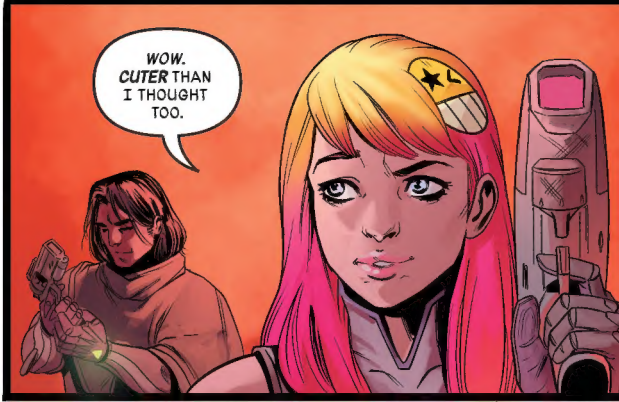


ARTURO!

SPLAM



I'M FINE. THESE BOTS ARE TOP OF THE LINE, HUH?



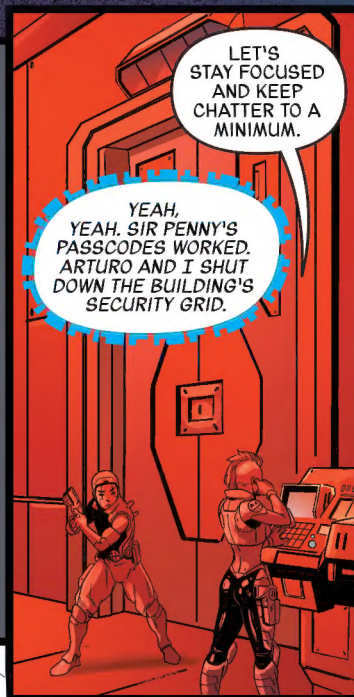
WOW. CUTER THAN I THOUGHT TOO.



WHAT? WHO'S CUTE? WHO'S HAPPENING IN THERE?

RELAX. JUST GETTING TO KNOW ARTURO BETTER AS WE DANCE DOWN THE HALL.

KYO! MOLLII! ARTURO!



LET'S STAY FOCUSED AND KEEP CHATTER TO A MINIMUM.

YEAH, YEAH. SIR PENNY'S PASSCODES WORKED. ARTURO AND I SHUT DOWN THE BUILDING'S SECURITY GRID.

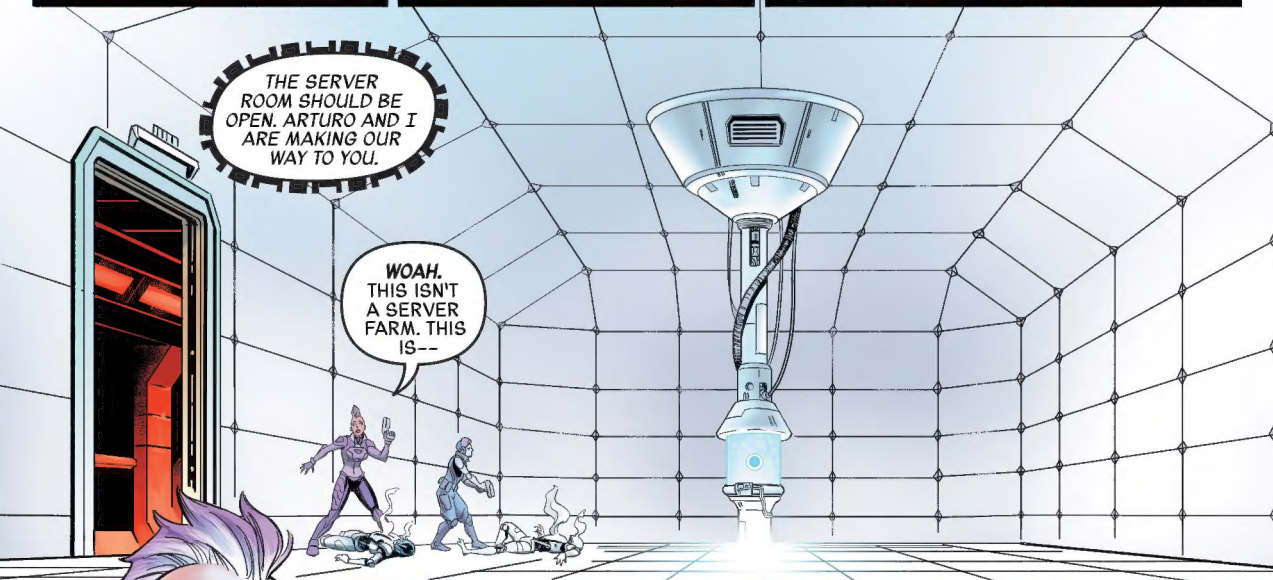


CLICK

ACCESS GRANTED



BAP BAP



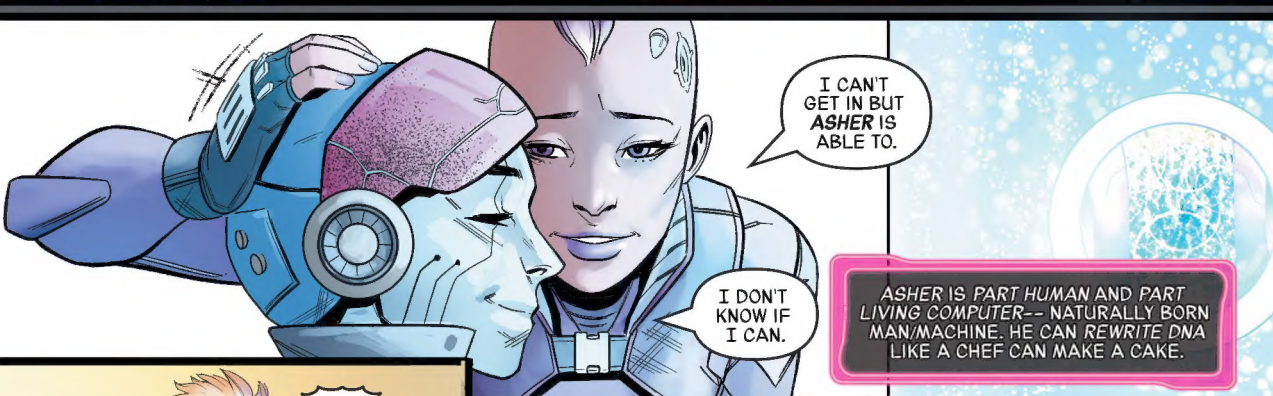
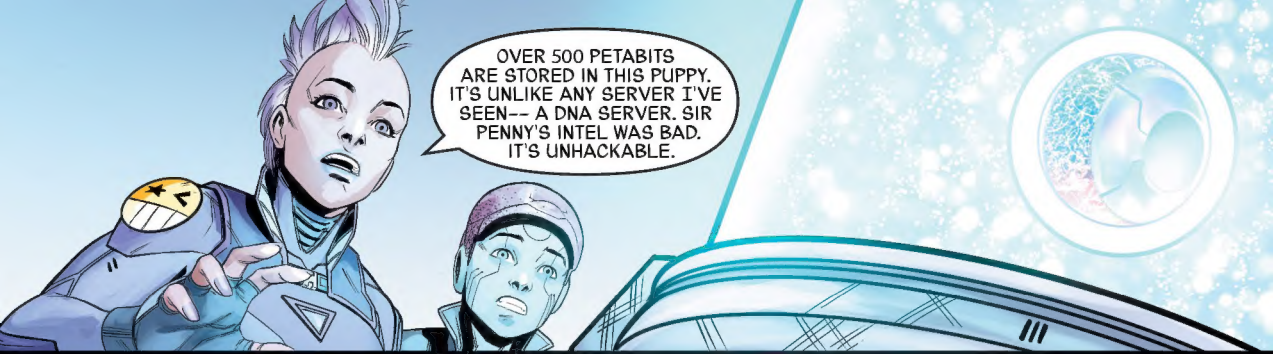
THE SERVER ROOM SHOULD BE OPEN. ARTURO AND I ARE MAKING OUR WAY TO YOU.

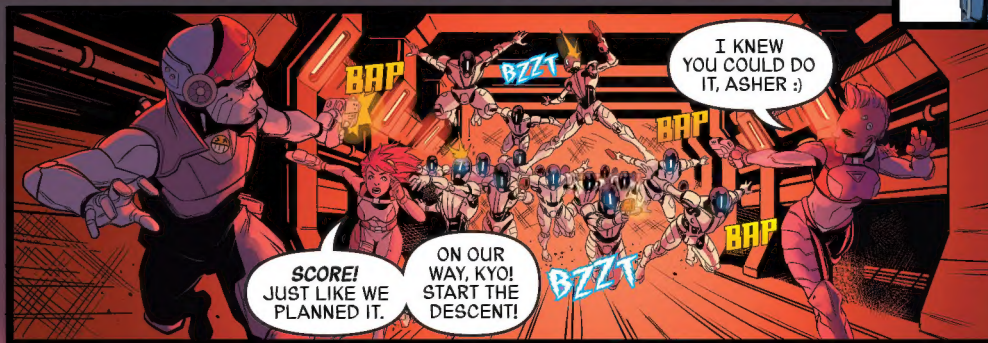
WOAH. THIS ISN'T A SERVER FARM. THIS IS--

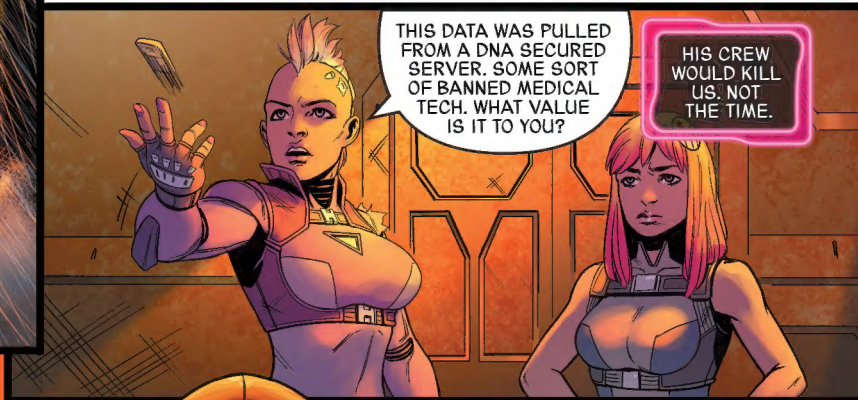
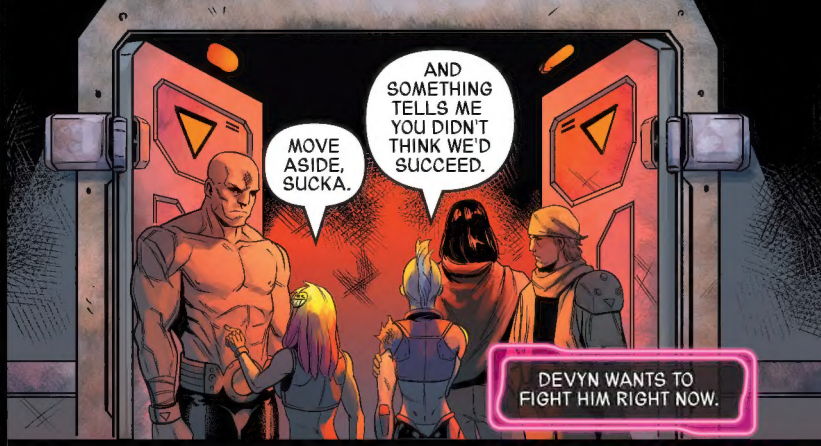


THIS IS TRULY AMAZING.











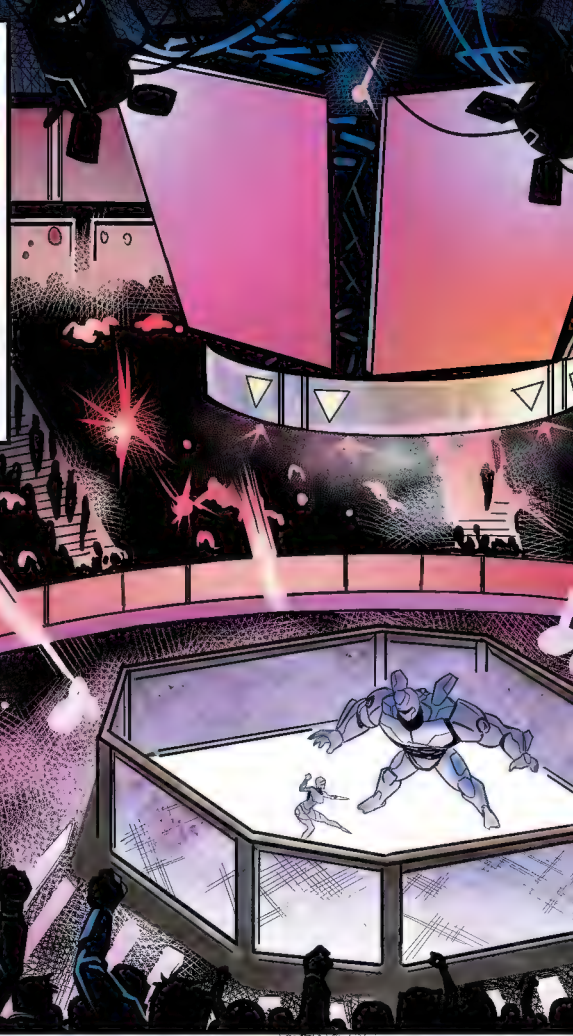
GREAT. NOW WE'RE WORKING FOR DRUG DEALERS.

HEY--! WE AREN'T A GANG OF PETTY DRUG DEALERS. WE'RE FAMILY.



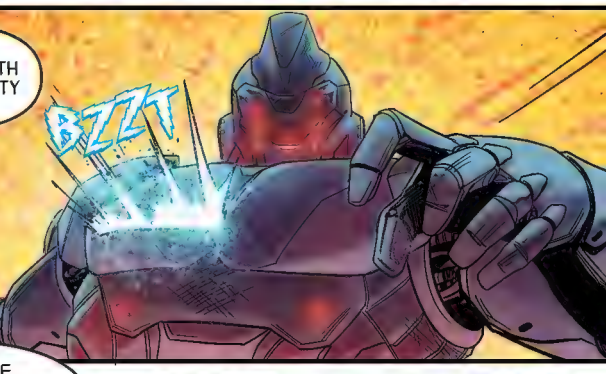
YOU KNOW WHY HE'S CALLED, "SIR PENNY?" HE STARTED WITH NO MORE THAN A PENNY, NOW HE TAKES CARE OF US.

WHAT WE MAKE TOGETHER, WE SHARE TOGETHER.

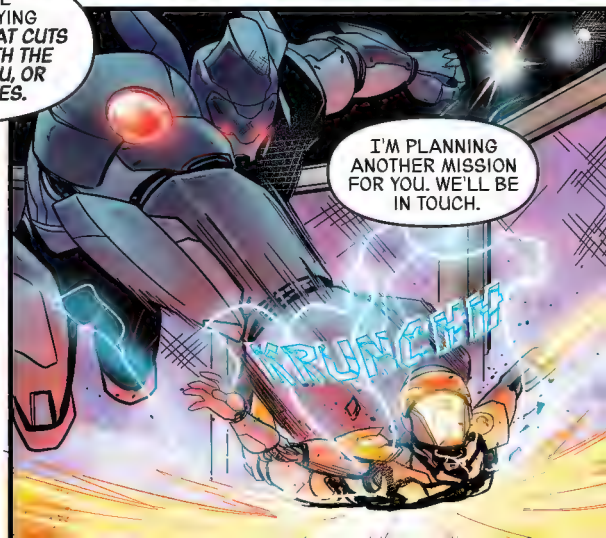


NO NOT YET.

YOU STILL OWE ME FOR DESTROYING MY SHIP. A DEBT THAT CUTS DEEP. YOU PAY WITH THE TASKS I GIVE YOU, OR WITH YOUR LIVES.



WELL, WE'RE DONE SHARING WITH YOU AND YOUR DIRTY OPERATION.



I'M PLANNING ANOTHER MISSION FOR YOU. WE'LL BE IN TOUCH.

OUR TEAM IS
SO SCREWED.

I HAD TO SAVE MY SISTER'S
LIFE FROM THE MOST EVIL MAN
ON THE PLANET, DRAZIC, AND
NEEDED A SHIP TO DO IT.

NOW SIR PENNY MIGHT
NEVER LET GO.

AND A ROOT
BEER FOR YOU
AND YOUR DAD.

ZUSE ISN'T
MY FATHER.
HE IS MY
FRIEND.

WELL, YOU'VE
ALL SURVIVED
ANOTHER ONE.

CHEERS!

'SUP LADIES AND
CREEPY BOWLING BALL
HEAD KID. HEHEHE. WORD
ON THE STREET IS YOUR
CREW JOINED A GANG.
WORKING FOR SIR PENNY
NOW, DEVYNN?

I'LL ENJOY TAKING OVER
YOUR JOBS NOW THAT YOU'VE
THROWN YOUR REPUTATIONS
IN THE TOILET! HEHEHE.



SO I'LL
JUST SAY WHAT
EVERYONE IS
THINKING--

DID I BORROW
AN EXPENSIVE SHIP
FROM A WELL-KNOWN
GANGSTER? **YES.** DID
IT EXPLODE AND NOW
WE'RE SEEMINGLY
FOREVER IN HIS DEBT.
YES. DID I--

NO ONE IS
BLAMING YOU,
MOLLI.



IF WE'RE POINTING FINGERS, **I'M**
THE ONE THAT WAS DRIVING
THE DARK LIGHTNING WHEN
IT WAS DESTROYED.



--BUT THAT **SPIT WAD** IS RIGHT. OUR
REP WILL BE RUINED. **WE'LL**
BE RUINED. WE NEED TO
FIX THIS AND NOW.

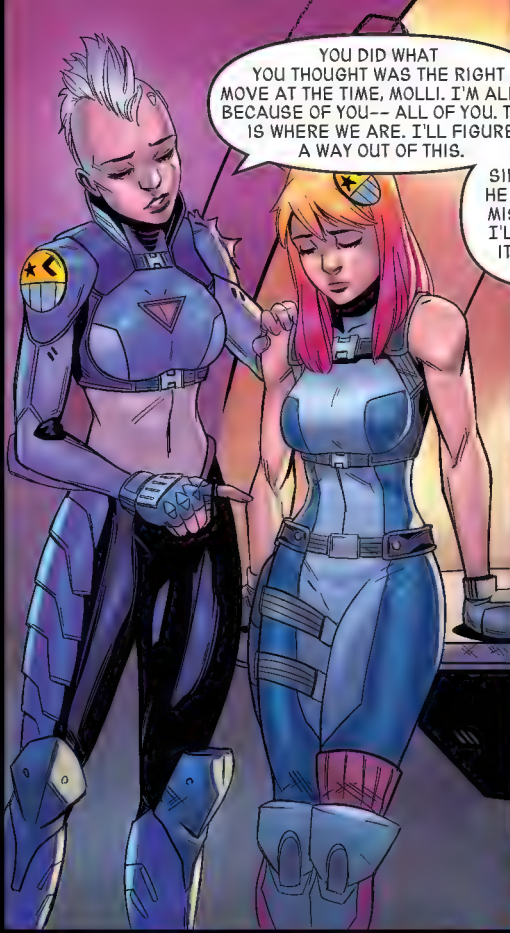


I AGREE.
WE CAN'T WORK
FOR A GANGSTER
AND HELP PUT
EXPERIMENTAL
DRUGS ON THE
STREETS.



BUT **HOW?** WITH
OUR LUCK, WE'LL BE
HUMAN TRAFFICKERS
BY THE END OF
THE WEEK.

HOW DID
THINGS GET
SO OUT OF
CONTROL?



YOU DID WHAT YOU THOUGHT WAS THE RIGHT MOVE AT THE TIME, MOLLI. I'M ALIVE BECAUSE OF YOU-- ALL OF YOU. THIS IS WHERE WE ARE. I'LL FIGURE A WAY OUT OF THIS.

FOR NOW, SIR PENNY SAYS HE HAS ANOTHER MISSION FOR US. I'LL MAKE SURE IT'S THE FINAL ONE.



WE'LL GET PAST THIS.



GAH! SIR PENNY IS GOING TO MAKE US WORK FOR HIM FOREVER...OR HE'S GOING TO KILL US.



SORRY. I'LL CHANGE THE SUBJECT

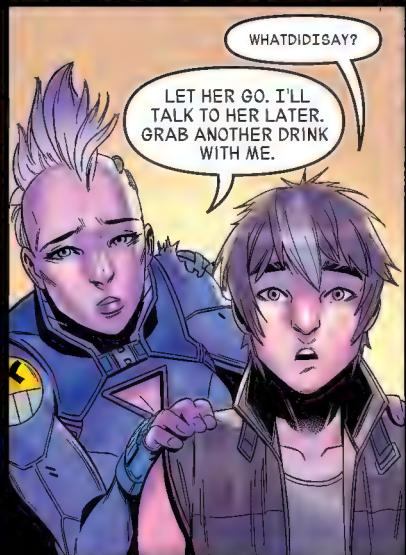
MOLLI? DO YOU WANT TO JOIN ME AT THE BAR TO TALK MORE ABOUT... YOU KNOW--



REALLY? NOW? YOU THINK NOW IS A GOOD TIME?



I'VE HAD ENOUGH OF TODAY. I'M HEADING HOME.



WHATDIDISAY?

LET HER GO. I'LL TALK TO HER LATER. GRAB ANOTHER DRINK WITH ME.



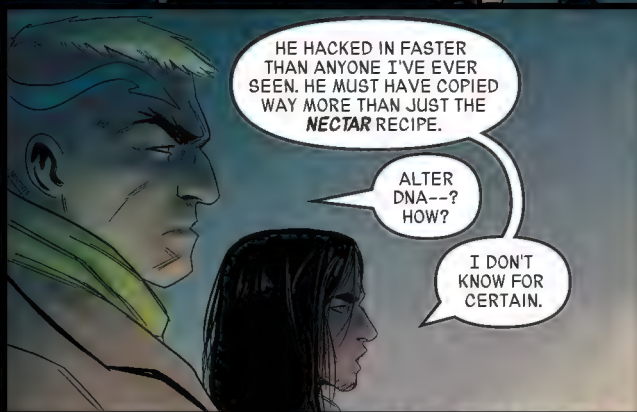


THESE VIALS OF **NECTAR** ARE GOING TO TAKE US TO THE NEXT LEVEL, ARTURO.



SIR, I HAVE TO INFORM YOU OF SOMETHING. WHEN I WAS WITH DEVYN AND HER TEAM, THEY WERE ABLE TO HACK THE SERVER BECAUSE THAT KID, ASHER, CAN CHANGE DNA. HE'S SOME SORT OF CYBORG.

THE JOB SHOULD HAVE BEEN A BUST BUT DEVYN PULLED THROUGH BECAUSE OF HIM AND HIS ABILITIES.



HE HACKED IN FASTER THAN ANYONE I'VE EVER SEEN. HE MUST HAVE COPIED WAY MORE THAN JUST THE **NECTAR** RECIPE.

ALTER DNA--? HOW?

I DON'T KNOW FOR CERTAIN.



HMM. VERY INTERESTING.



ONCE AGAIN
YOU'VE PROVEN
YOUR LOYALTY TO
OUR FAMILY
AND ME.

LET ME
SHOW YOU
SOMETHING.

WHAT
IS IT?

OUR GANG'S
FUTURE.



THIS
REMAINS
BETWEEN
US.

NECTAR SWARMS
THE BODY WITH NANITES.
THEY ARE ABLE TO MASSAGE
MUSCLES OR RELEASE
ENDORPHINS.

REACTIONS IN YOUR
BRAIN ARE MEDIATED
ELECTRONICALLY OR
NEUROCHEMICALLY,
AND GIVE THE RIGHT
MANIPULATION

YOU'RE TALKING
MIND CONTROL? BUT WHY?
WE'RE ALREADY A FAMILY WORKING
TOGETHER FOR THE COMMON
GOOD, NO?



RIGHT
NOW WE ARE
STRONG

WITH THE
NECTAR DRUG, WE WILL
BE AN UNSTOPPABLE
FORCE-- A HURRICANE
WITH A CONTROLLED
DIRECTION.



THINK OF THE
POSSIBILITIES.



NO MISINTERPRETED
COMMUNICATION.
NO LOSS OF TIME.

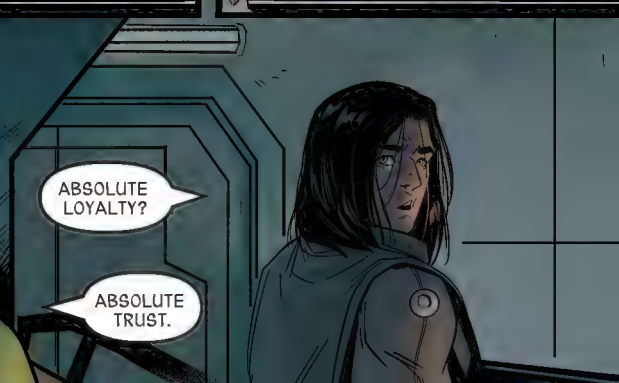


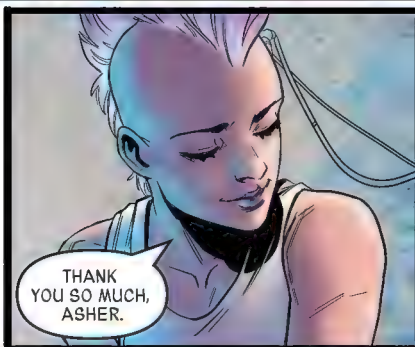
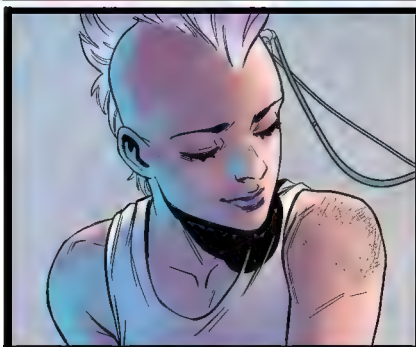
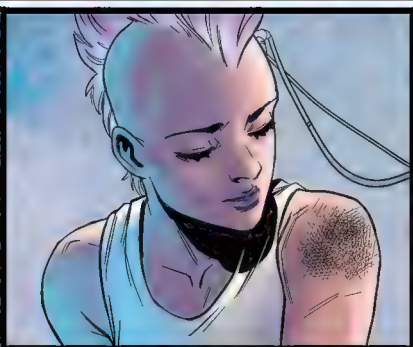
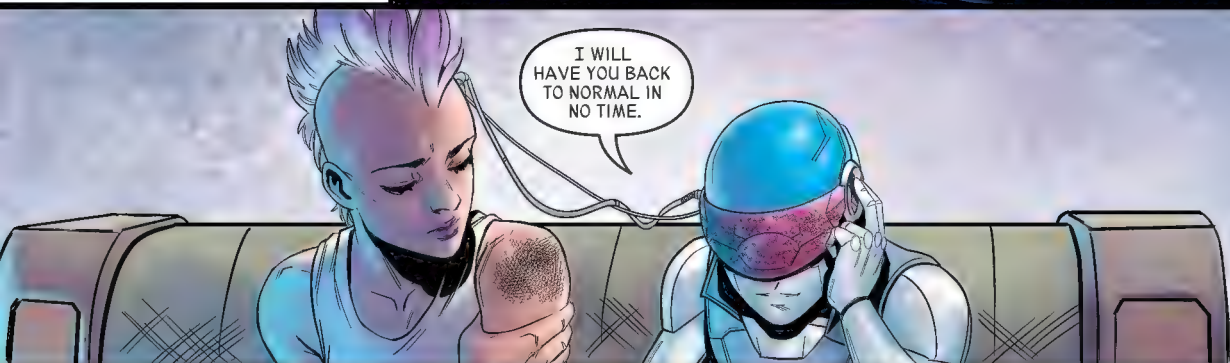
WE'LL
WORK AS
ONE.



ABSOLUTE
LOYALTY?

ABSOLUTE
TRUST.







--SIR PENNY.



YOU DIDN'T THINK YOU'D HEAR FROM ME SO SOON, HUH?

I'VE DECIDED UPON YOUR NEW MISSION, AND IT NEEDS TO SET OFF ASAP. AND I'M TALKING AS SOON AS YOU CAN RELOAD YOUR BULLETS.

WHEN AND WHERE?



ARMORCORP THIS PLACE DOES BUSINESS AND HOME SECURITY SYSTEMS, INCLUDING MANUFACTURING THE LARGEST DISTRIBUTION OF **PRIVATE SECURITY BOTS**. I WANT ACCESS TO THEM ALL. THERE IS A BACKDOOR **VERRIDE** THAT I NEED YOU TO ACQUIRE.

SO YOU'LL HAVE A GRIP ON THE CITY. YOUR CREW COULD DO PETTY THEFTS WHEN THEY WANT. BUSINESSES WILL HAVE TO PAY YOU OR HAVE THEIR OWN SECURITY SYSTEMS TURN ON THEM, MAKING YOU CLEAN OF ANY WRONGDOING.



WE'LL NEED TO DISCUSS FOR A MOMENT.

MAKE IT QUICK.



YOU THINK WE CAN BREAK INTO ARMORCORP AND MAKE IT OUT ALIVE?

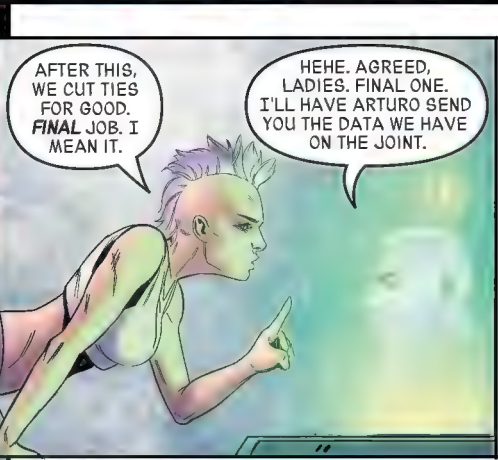
THE MOST GUARDED BUILDING IN THE CITY? NO WAY-- NO. WE CAN'T DO THIS JOB. TELL SIR PENNY **NO**. IT'S SUICIDAL!

IF WE SAY NO, **THAT'S** SUICIDAL. SIR PENNY WILL **KILL** US FOR SURE.



IS THERE GOING TO BE A PROBLEM?

NO-- NO PROBLEM UNDER THE CONDITION THIS IS THE **FINAL** JOB. WE'RE FREE OF ALL DEBTS FROM YOU. WE CAN'T WORK FOR YOU FOREVER.



AFTER THIS, WE CUT TIES FOR GOOD. **FINAL** JOB. I MEAN IT.

HEHE. AGREED, LADIES. **FINAL** ONE. I'LL HAVE ARTURO SEND YOU THE DATA WE HAVE ON THE JOINT.

LATER THAT NIGHT.

EVERYONE IS
GOOD WITH THIS
PLAN THEN?

I HAVE MY
DOUBTS BUT--
WHATEVS.

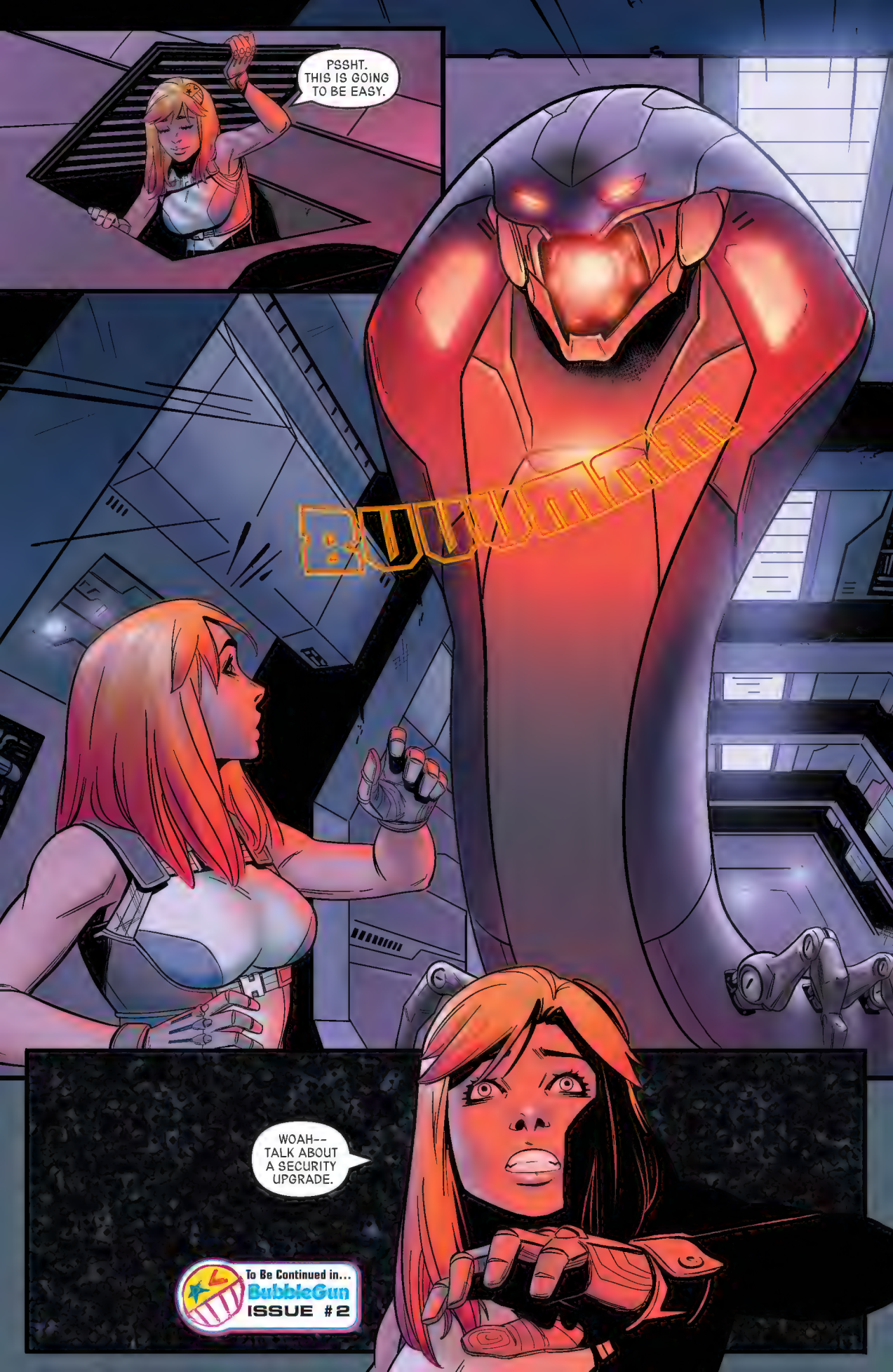
ONCE
MOLLI MAKES
HER WAY THROUGH THE
MAINTENANCE CONDUIT,
SHE'LL SHUT DOWN
THE MAIN SECURITY
SYSTEM.

EVEN IF
WE PULL THIS
OFF...

...I SERIOUSLY
DOUBT SIR PENNY
WILL LET US GO
FREELY.

I SHOULD'VE
WORN A SIR
PENNY MASK ON
THIS HEIST TO
FRAME HIM.

QUIET. BE
PREPARED FOR
ANYTHING.



PSSHT.
THIS IS GOING
TO BE EASY.

WOAH--
TALK ABOUT
A SECURITY
UPGRADE.



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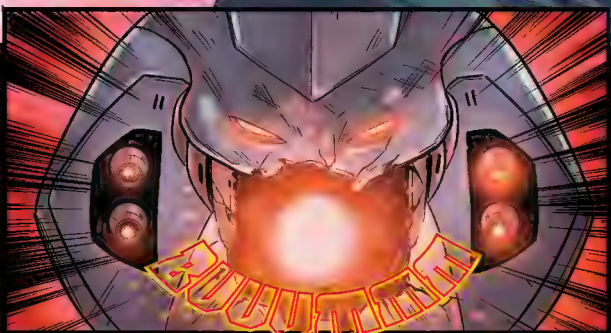
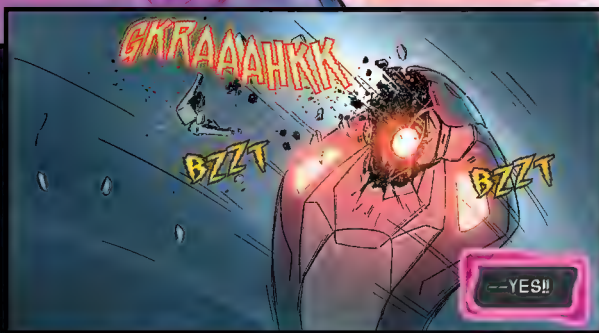
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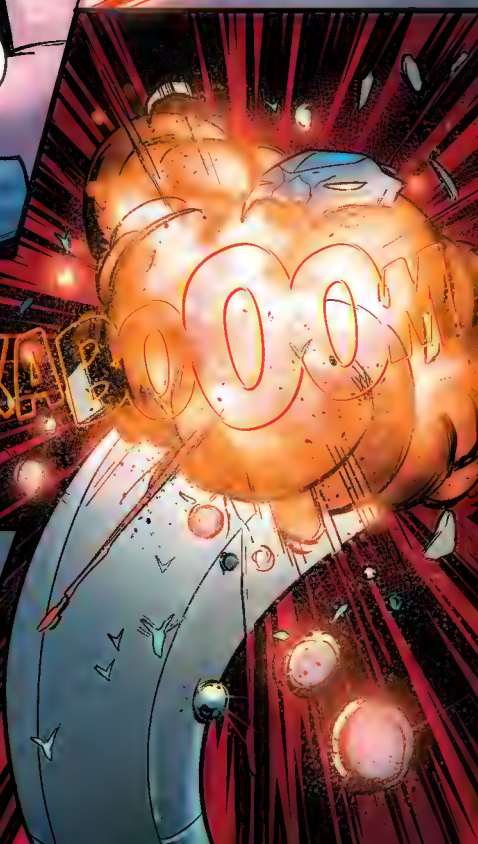
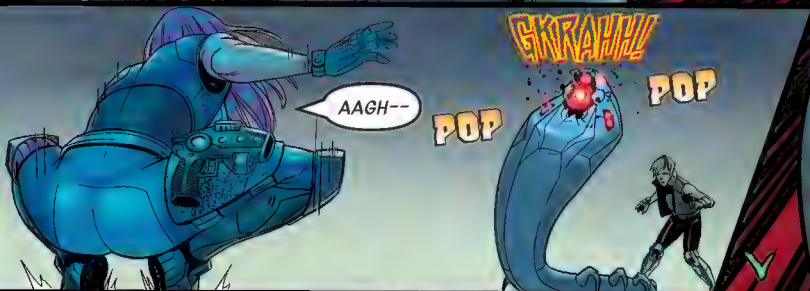
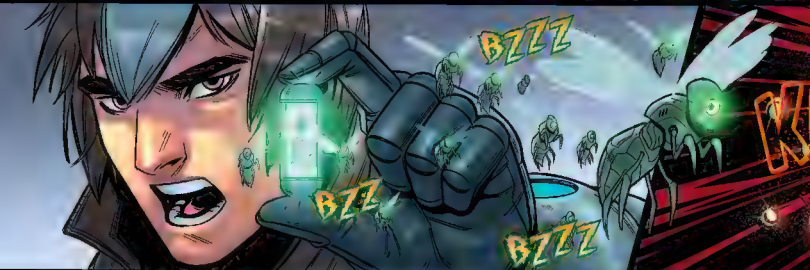
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--LET'S HOPE THIS
FORCE FIELD HOLDS--







WOW.
ALMOST DIDN'T
MAKE IT OUT OF
THAT ONE.

ARE
YOU ALL
RIGHT?

STILL
BREATHING.
THANK YOU,
KYO.



HOPEFULLY
THAT'S THE
ONLY ONE OF
THOSE THIS
PLACE HAS.

LOOK,
I KNOW I'M
TERRIBLE AT
TIMING BUT
I THINK WE
SHOULD
TALK.



I DON'T WANT TO SCREW
UP WHAT WE HAVE. IT'S TRUE
I'VE BEEN HOLDING SOMETHING BACK
FROM YOU, BUT...I THINK IT'S SOMETHING
I HAVE TO SHOW YOU RATHER THAN TELL
YOU. AS SOON AS WE GET BACK--
IF WE GET BACK--

STOP. WE'RE
NOT DYING
HERE TODAY.

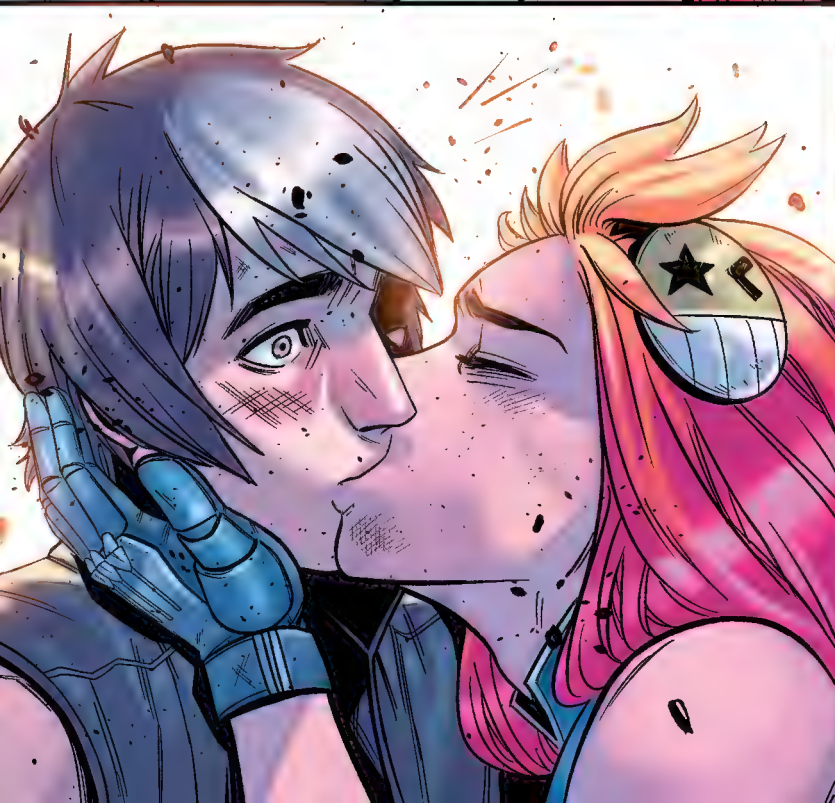
I'VE BEEN STUPID. I
SHOULDN'T PESTER YOU.
IF YOU'RE NOT READY TO
TELL ME SOMETHING, I'M
FINE WITH THAT.



WE'RE OKAY,
RIGHT?

OF COURSE.
WE JUST NEED TO
COMMUNICATE
BETTER, HUH?

I'LL
TRY IF
YOU DO.



NOW...BEFORE
DEVYN SAYS ANYTHING,
LET'S GET FOCUSED
AND FINISH THIS.

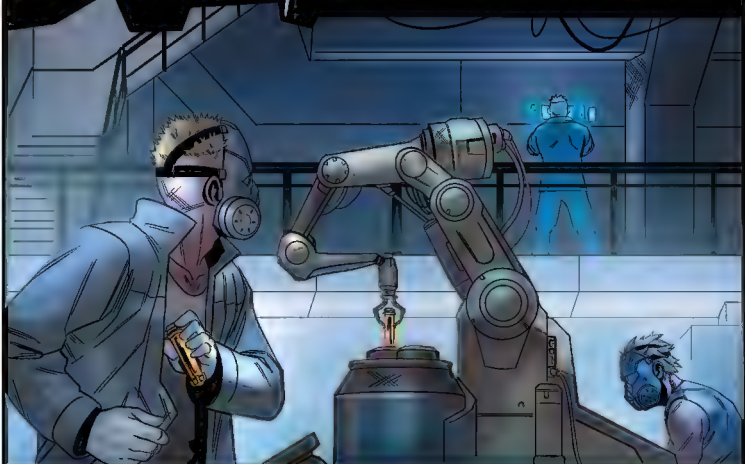
I'M RIGHT
BEHIND YOU,
BABE.

CHUK
CHUK

NEOCAPITAL.
SIR PENNY'S LAB.

WE'RE IN FULL
PRODUCTION NOW.
I'LL HAVE **NECTAR** ON
THE STREETS WITHIN
THE WEEK, JUST AS
YOU PLANNED...

NO.
THERE WON'T
BE ANY CALL
ABOUT ANY
SETBACKS.



YOU. ARE
YOU SERIOUSLY
STEALING FROM
ME? DON'T YOU
KNOW I HAVE EYES
IN THE BACK OF
MY HEAD?



FROM **ME?**
FROM **ME** HE
SAYS, YA'LL.

YOU
PREACH THIS
CREW SHARES
PROFITS AS ONE.
I SEE IT AS,
WE WORK, WHILE
YOU PROFIT.

I'M
LOOKING
OUT FOR
ALL OF
US.



GO AHEAD
AND CHECK ME,
MAN. BUT YOU'LL
BE PROVING MY
POINT...

...YOU'RE
NOT ONE
OF US.

YOU THINK
YOU'RE **BETTER**
THAN US!

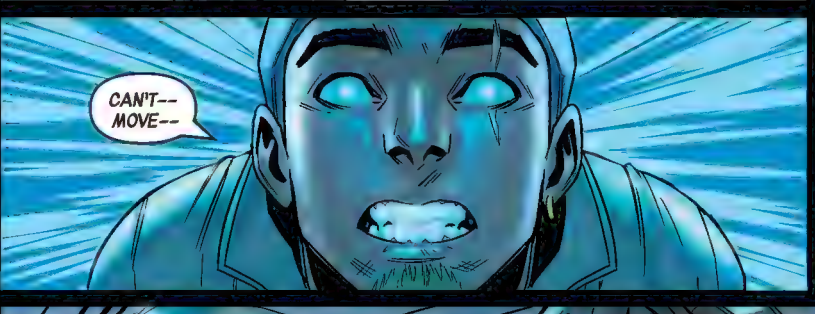




ARE YOU CHALLENGING ME? MY LEADERSHIP? OUR CREW'S GOALS?



WHEN I SAY YOU'RE STEALING FROM ME, YOU'RE STEALING FROM YOUR **BROTHERS** AND **SISTERS**. WE ARE ONE HERE. WE ARE **BLOOD**.



CAN'T--- MOVE---



YOU'RE NOT OUR BLOOD ANYMORE.

GAGKI!

SPLURKT



YO!

OH SNAP!

NO ONE STEALS FROM MY FAMILY. THIEF



HMPE

LET'S GET THIS SHIPMENT READY, HUH?



ARTURO-- YOU BETTER HAVE GOOD NEWS.

WE'RE IN POSITION AND READY. SHOULD BE ANY MINUTE NOW.

CALL ME BACK WHEN YOU HAVE IT.

THE PLAN: DEVYN AND ASHER HACK ARMORCORP TO FIND THE LOCATION OF THE CITY'S SECURITY BOT'S OVERRIDE CODES, WHILE KYO AND I SNAG THE DATA FROM MR. RAVINDER'S OFFICE.

THEY PICK US UP. WE FLY OUTTA HERE.

ARMORCORP'S CHIEF ENGINEER, SINGH RAVINDER SHOULD BE BEHIND THOSE DOORS.

ASHER AND I HAVE CONTROL OF THEIR SYSTEM, BUT WE DON'T HAVE MUCH TIME.

ACCESS GRANTED.

KRSTTT

MR. RAVINDER.

I KNOW WHY YOU'RE HERE, BUT YOU WILL NEVER GET IT. LEAVE.

WE MANUFACTURE THE WORLD'S MOST INNOVATIVE SECURITY ROBOTS HERE. MANY HAVE TRIED TO STEAL MY DESIGNS.

WHO PUT YOU UP TO THIS, HMM? INOTECH? A POLITICIAN? GANGSTERS? NO MATTER. YOU WILL NOT SUCCEED. **LEAVE.**

ONLY I HAVE ACCESS TO THE DESIGNS AND CODES, AND I AM BEHIND THE MOST ADVANCED **ENERGY FIELD PANIC ROOM** EVER MADE.



I AM
THE LEADING
ENGINEER IN ROBOTICS.
YOU THINK I WOULD NOT
HAVE PRECAUTIONS
FOR IDIOTS LIKE
YOU?

WHAT WAS
YOUR PLAN?
TO TORTURE ME
TILL I TELL
YOU? HA!



GOT IT. HIS
SECRET SERVER
IS IN HIS OFFICE
WITHIN THE BUST OF
THE STATUE OF
RILEY J. MOSS.



NO. IT WAS TO
HACK YOUR SYSTEM,
RUN INTO YOUR OFFICE,
THEN GRAB THE STATUE
OF RILEY J. MOSS'S
HEAD.

WHAT?! NO!
HOW DID YOU--?!
LEAVE!



WHILE YOU
STAND-- ERR--
KNEEL IN YOUR
PANIC ROOM,
POWERLESS TO
STOP US.



SO LONG,
SUCKAH!



WAAAGAAH!!



WELL, THAT SURE WORKED OUT GREAT.

TEAM, YOU HAVE LESS THAN **THREE MINUTES** TO GET OUT!



SO, I KNOW WE'RE BASICALLY RUNNING FOR OUR LIVES HERE BUT DO YOU THINK WE'VE LOST OUR PATH?

WE HAD A LITTLE FIGHT BUT I WOULDN'T SAY WE'VE LOST OUR PATH.

NO-- I MEAN OUR CREW. I FELT LIKE WE WERE MAKING A DIFFERENCE TO THIS WORLD WE LIVE IN.

BUT TODAY I'M NOT SO SURE.



WE'RE STEALING FOR A GANGSTER, BUT THAT DOESN'T MAKE US GANGSTERS TOO.

WE'RE OUTLAWS, TRUE, BUT WE HAVEN'T LOST OUR PATH.



IF SIR PENNY'S CREW GETS THIS TECH INTO DISTRIBUTION, THEN THEY'LL DESTROY OR CONTROL ANYTHING THAT STANDS IN THEIR WAY.

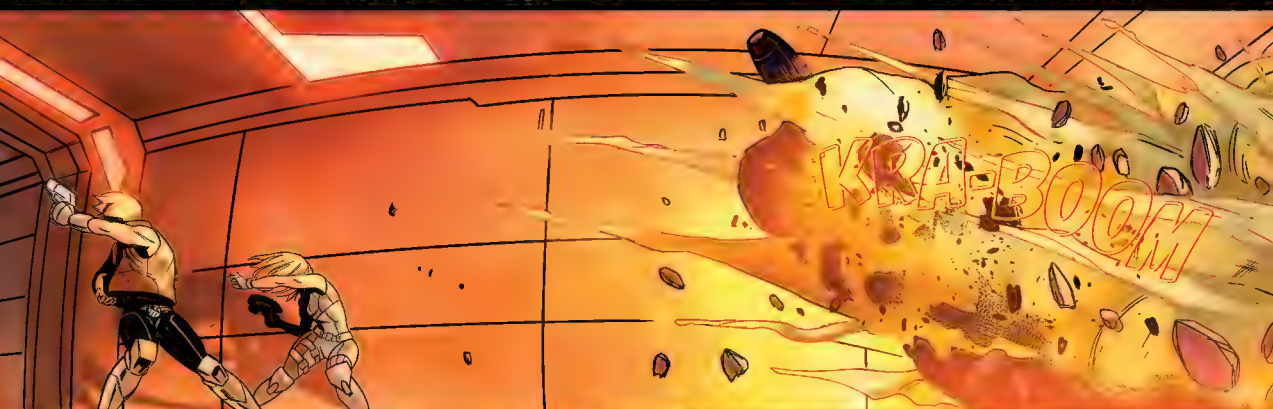


WE'LL MAKE THINGS RIGHT.



BRRT-KLK

BRMMMM



KRA-BOOM



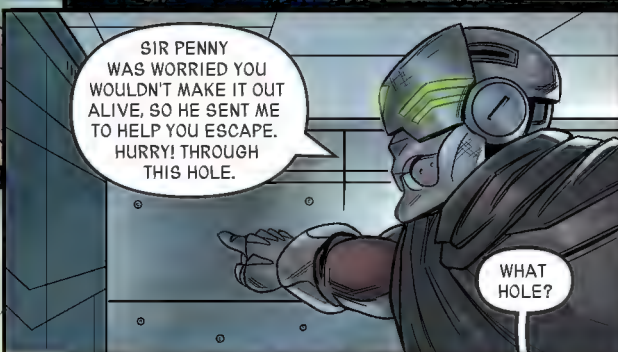
MOLL!! KYO!
IT'S ARTURO.
QUICKLY, THIS
WAY!



GREAT JOB,
MOLL!! DO YOU
HAVE IT?

WE DO. THE
DATA JUST NEEDS
TO BE EXTRACTED
FROM MOSS'S
NOGGIN.

WHAT ARE
YOU DOING
HERE?



SIR PENNY
WAS WORRIED YOU
WOULDN'T MAKE IT OUT
ALIVE, SO HE SENT ME
TO HELP YOU ESCAPE.
HURRY! THROUGH
THIS HOLE.

WHAT
HOLE?

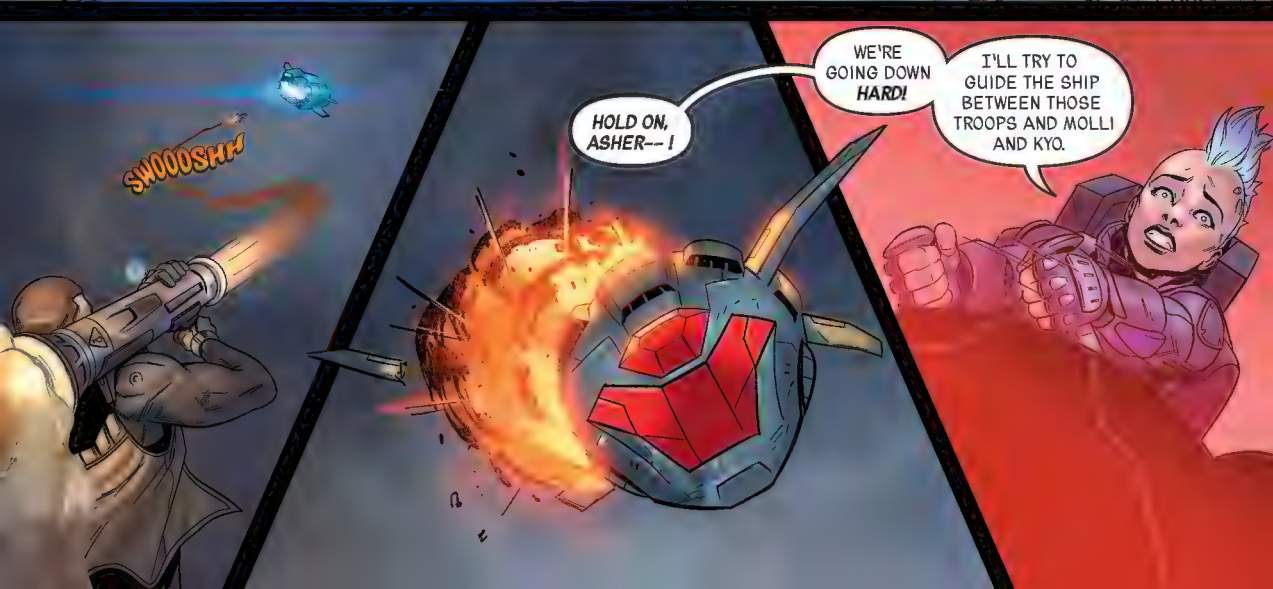
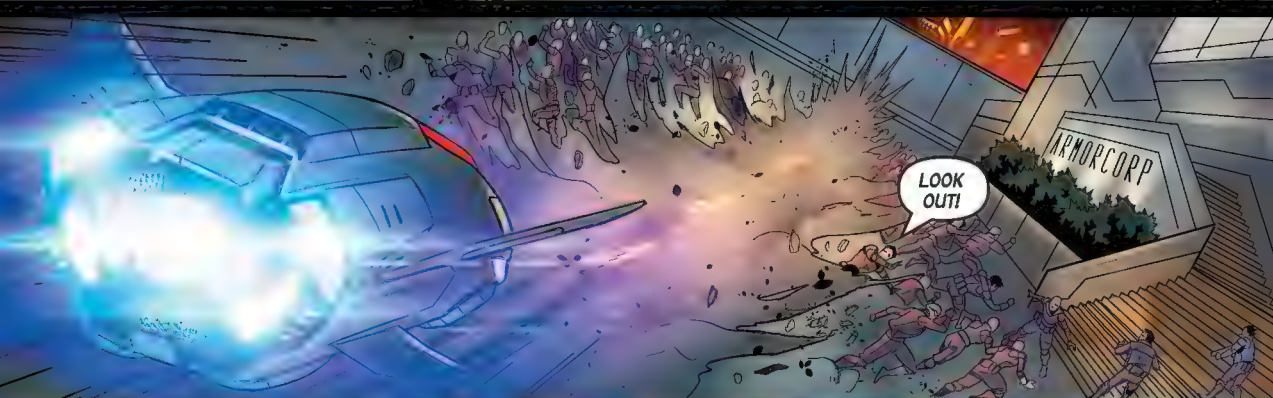
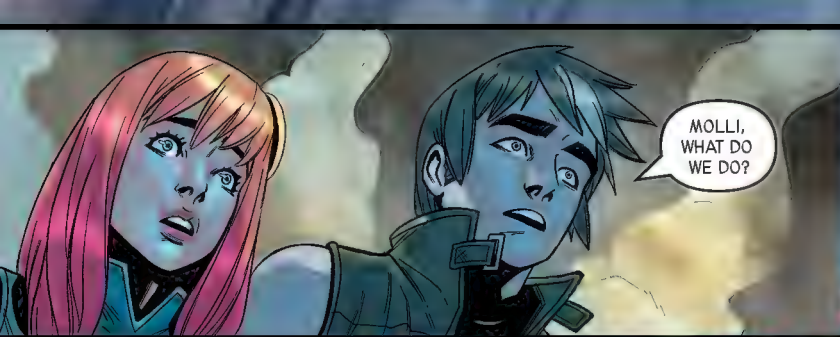


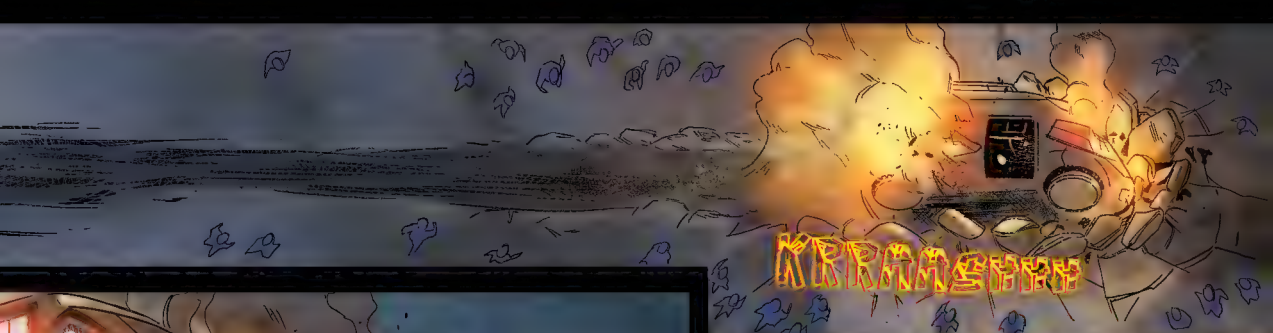
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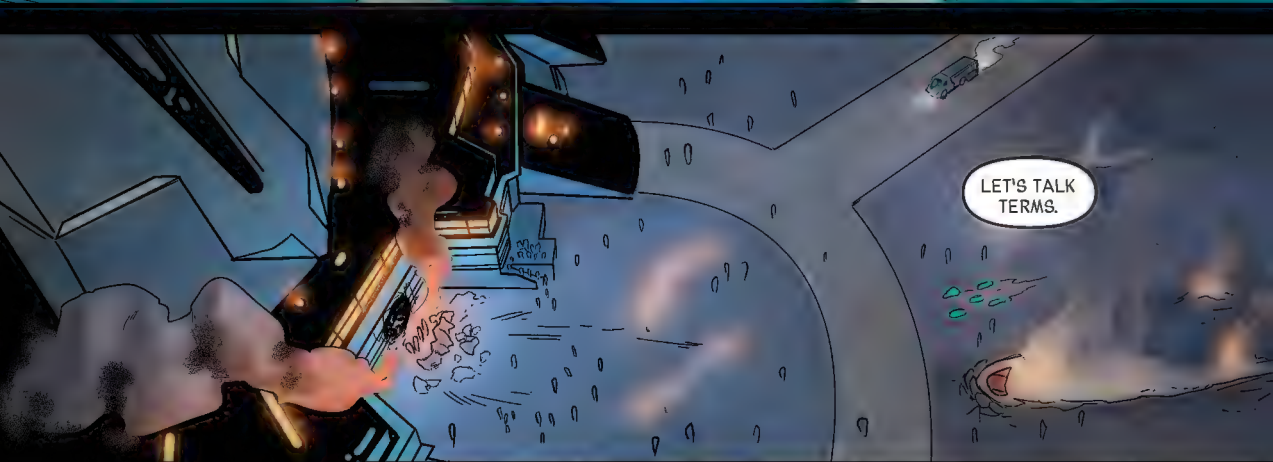
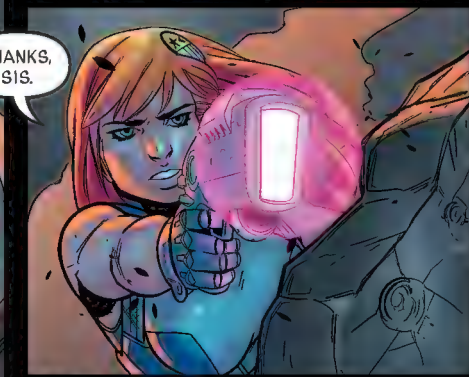


SORRY,
AMIGOS
BUT THERE
IS NO PLACE
TO RUN.

ARMORCORP











FATHER.



THEON?

YOU HAVE A LOT OF NERVE. SO YOU WORK FOR SIR PENNY NOW?

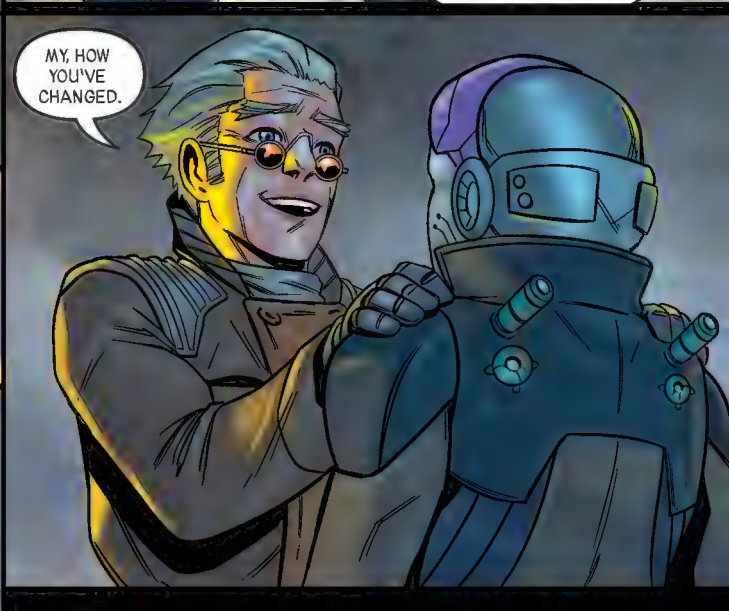


YOU DON'T HAVE TO TALK WITH HIM. WE OWE HIM NOTHING.

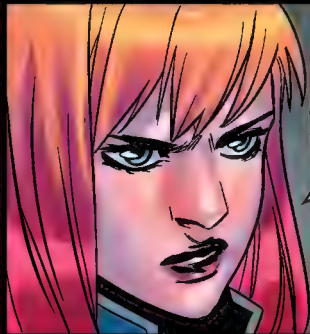


MY SON. MY LITTLE BOY!

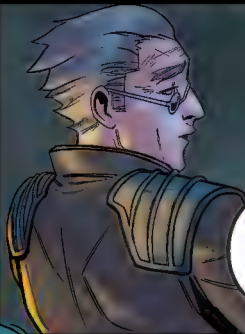
I'VE BEEN SEARCHING THE ENDS OF THE EARTH TO FIND YOU. NOW FINALLY WE ARE TOGETHER AGAIN.



MY, HOW YOU'VE CHANGED.



YOU MEAN HE ISN'T A DISCARDED PACKAGE STUFFED IN AN INOTECH BOX ANYMORE? DON'T LISTEN TO HIM, ASHER. YOUR WORKAHOLIC DAD ABANDONED YOU.



ASHER, MY BOY-- WHATEVER YOU THINK OF ME, KNOW THAT I LOVE YOU AND ONLY EVER WANTED THE WORLD FOR YOU.



YOU STARTED OUT AS A FIGMENT OF YOUR MOTHER'S AND MY IMAGINATION. THE THOUGHT OF YOU WAS AN IMPOSSIBLE DREAM FOR BOTH OF US-- TO HAVE A CHILD.

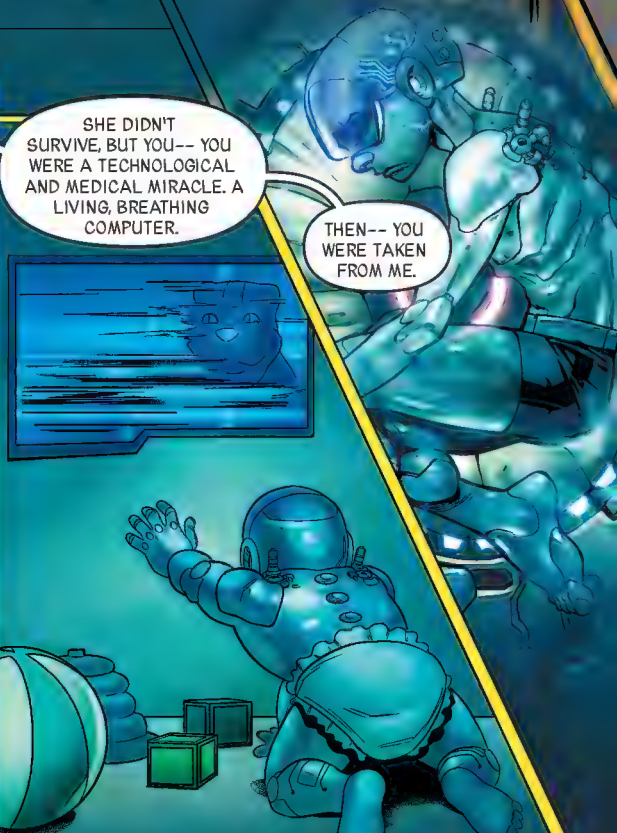
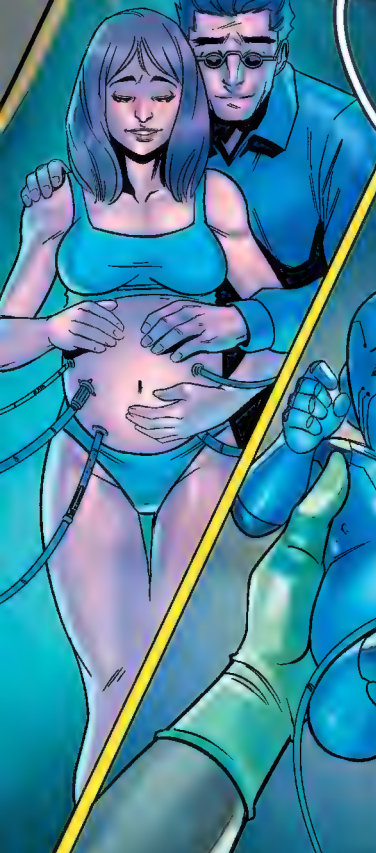
IT'S TRUE, I WAS BURIED IN WORK. FAMILY LIFE HAD TAKEN A BACKSEAT. A LOT OF PRESSURE WAS ON ME TO DEVELOP A NEW HUMAN-LIKE ROBOT WORKFORCE. MY CAREER WAS ON THE LINE. I WAS WORRIED OF YOUR MOTHER AND--

I HAD THIS VISION-- TO CREATE THE FIRST HUMAN BORN CYBORG.

WHEN YOU WERE BORN, IT MADE YOUR MOTHER, ELORA, AND I SO HAPPY.

SHE DIDN'T SURVIVE, BUT YOU-- YOU WERE A TECHNOLOGICAL AND MEDICAL MIRACLE. A LIVING, BREATHING COMPUTER.

THEN-- YOU WERE TAKEN FROM ME.



YOU MUST KNOW HOW VALUABLE YOU TRULY ARE. A COMPANY SAW YOU AS THEIR PROPERTY. I SEE YOU AS MY FLESH AND BLOOD.

YOU ARE THE MOST PRECIOUS THING IN THIS WORLD TO ME.

WILL YOU PLEASE...TAKE MY HAND?

NO.

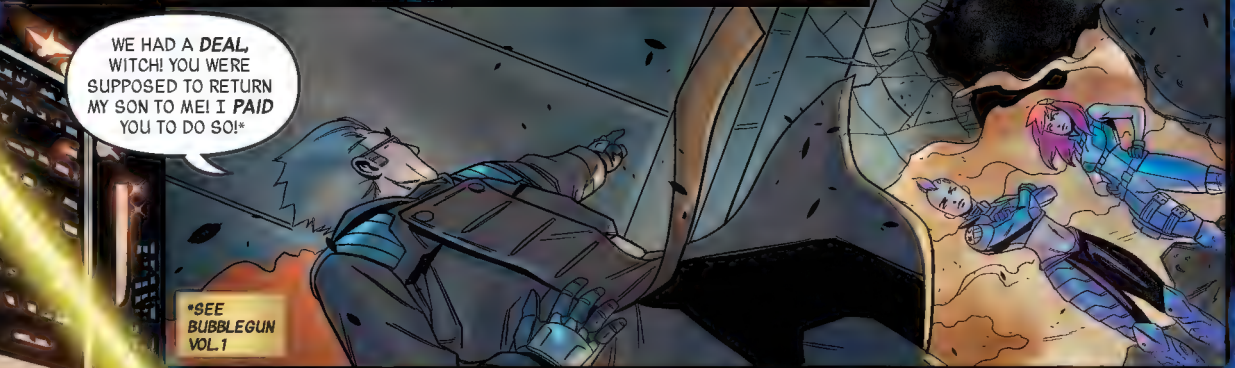
I AM NOT A **THING**. NOT YOUR **THING**, OR ANYONE ELSE'S.

YOU CAN'T WALK AWAY FROM

MEEEEEE!



YOU CAN'T
ESCAPE YOUR
BIRTHRIGHT,
BOY!



WE HAD A **DEAL**,
WITCH! YOU WERE
SUPPOSED TO RETURN
MY SON TO ME! I **PAID**
YOU TO DO SO!*

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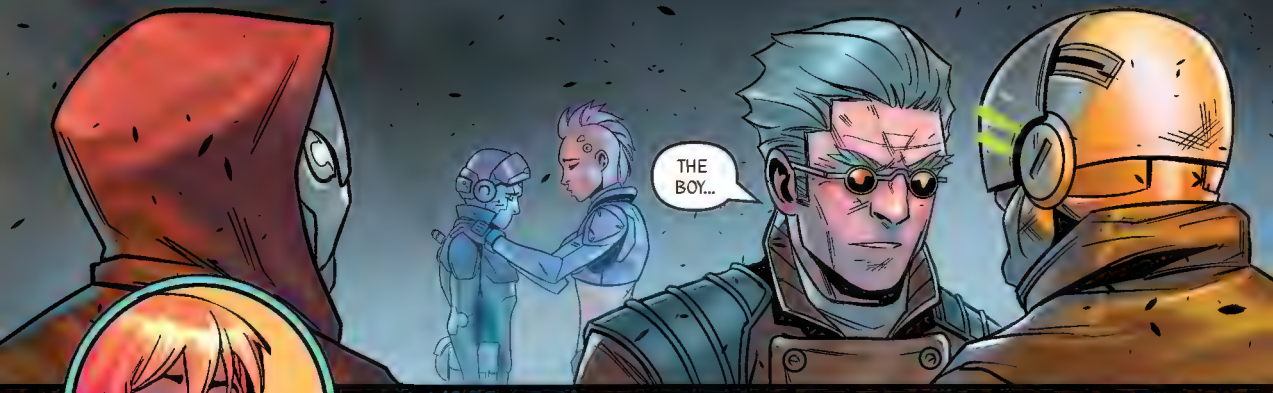


YOU ARE **MY**
CREATION. YOU HEAR
ME? YOU WERE BORN TO
USHER IN A NEW WORLD. TO
DO WHAT **I WANT!** I **OWN**
YOU, LIKE ANY FATHER
OWNS HIS SON!

YOU ARE
MY FLESH
AND BLOOD AND
TECH-- TO DO MY
WILL AND **MY**
WILL **ALONE!**



NO. THE CHOICE
OF HIS PATH IS HIS,
AND HIS ALONE--
AND HE **REJECTS**
YOU.





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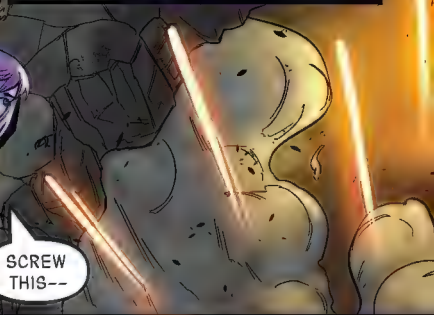
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E.M.P.
AWAY!

SKKREEEE



THAT
E.M.P. BLAST
DISABLED THEIR
GUNS AND TECH,
BUT NOT FOR
LONG! GET IN!



OH BLESS
YOU, ZUSE!



--NOW
HOLD ONTO
SOMETHING.

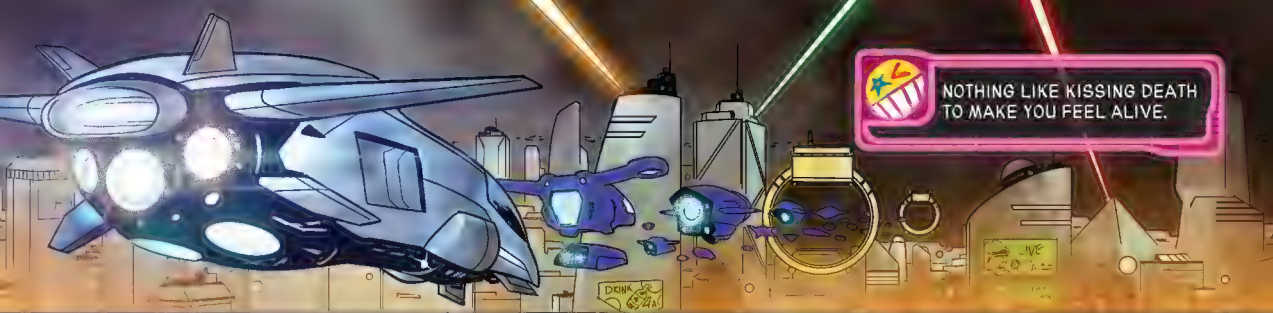


WOOOSH



NOT
GOOD.

I'LL FIX
THIS.





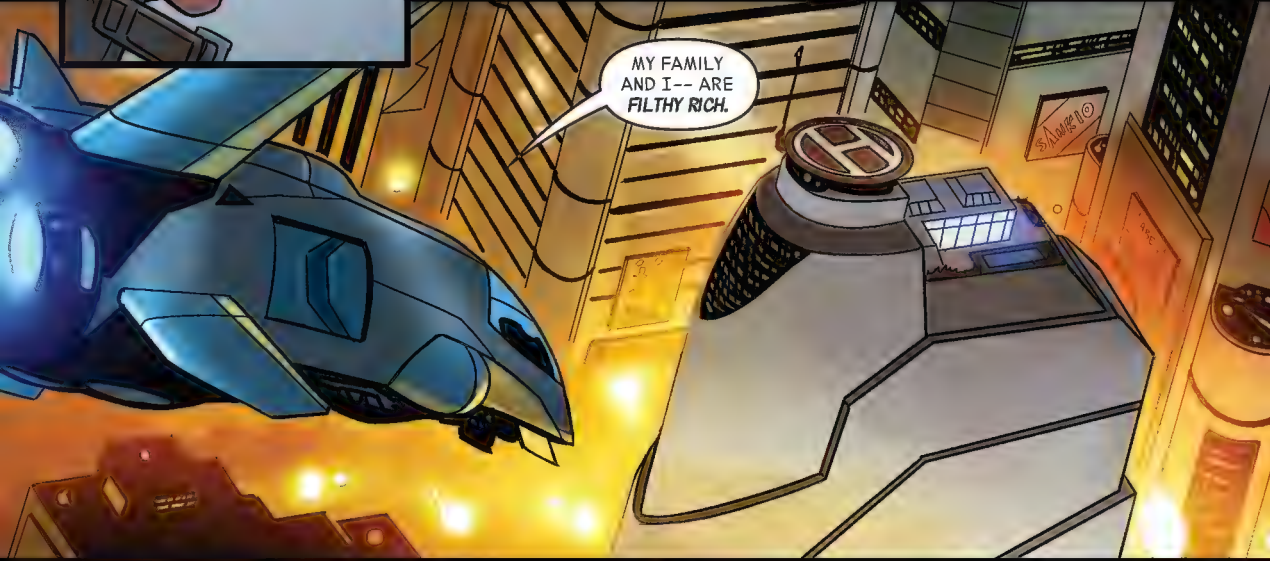
THIS SHIP
IT'S MINE. AND
THERE'S MORE
I'D LIKE TO
CONFESS--



--I NEVER
MEANT TO KEEP
THIS FROM YOU
ALL FOR SO
LONG BUT--

ZUSE IS TAKING
US TO MY ROOFTOP
PENTHOUSE. I ACTUALLY
OWN THE TOP SIX FLOORS,
AND MY FAMILY OWNS
THE REST.

MY PARENTS
LEFT ME SHIPS,
PROPERTY, AND TONS
OF MONEY...BUT
I DIDN'T ASK OR
WANT ANY OF IT.



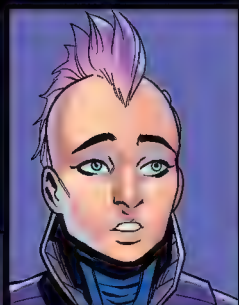
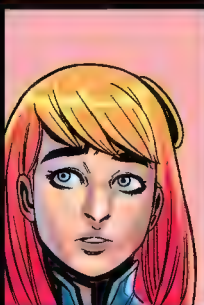
MY FAMILY
AND I-- ARE
FILTHY RICH.



BUT I WANT
TO STRESS
THE FILTHY
PART.



MY FAMILY MADE THEIR FORTUNE FROM MONEY LAUNDERING AND RACKETEERING.



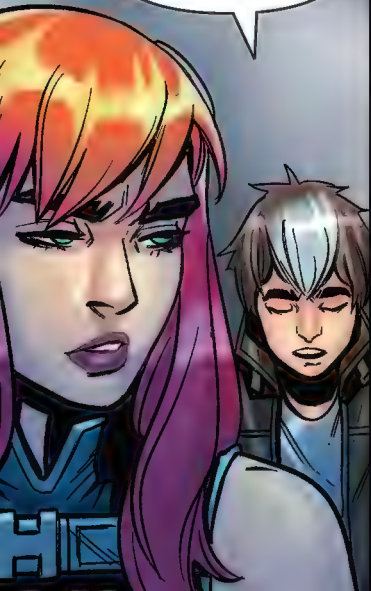
ALL OF THIS IS FROM VERY DIRTY MONEY. I GREW TO HATE MY PARENTS. ONCE I REALIZED MY FAMILY'S OPERATIONS, I GAVE UP MY SILVER SPOON UPBRINGING AND BEGAN MY CYBERPUNK WAYS.

IT WAS A REBELLIOUS THRILL AT FIRST, BUT THEN IT BECAME MY LIFE. I AM NOT MY PARENTS, AND I WANT NOTHING TO DO WITH THEM.



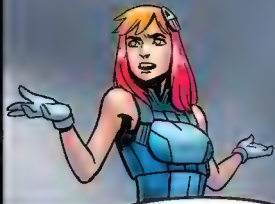
WOW.

I KEPT MY FAMILY AND CHILDHOOD FROM YOU. I'M SORRY BUT, IT'S COMPLICATED AND I DIDN'T KNOW HOW TO TELL YOU.



YOU MEAN I COULD HAVE BEEN LIVING HERE?

YOU'RE NOT MAD?



OF COURSE I AM! WE COULD HAVE PAID SIR PENNY OFF AND AVOIDED THIS WHOLE MESS! WHY DIDN'T YOU--?



HOW COULD YOU--?

--UGH!





AND ZUSE--
YOU KNEW ALL
OF THIS?

ONLY RECENTLY.
KYO CONFIDED IN
ME ONCE SIR PENNY
GOT INVOLVED IN
OUR LIVES.

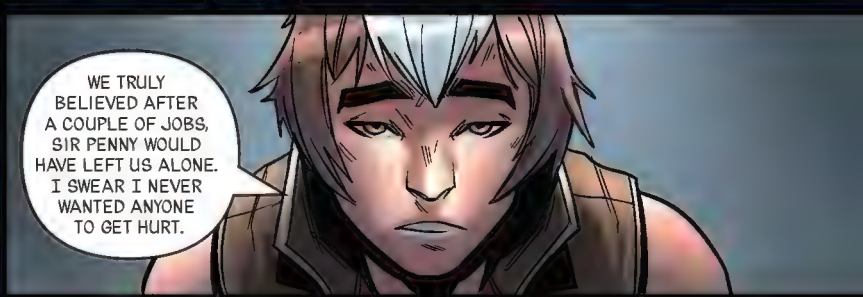


KYO WANTED TO
PAY SIR PENNY FOR
THE FULL VALUE OF THE
SHIP MOLLI BORROWED,
THE DARK LIGHTNING, BUT
I ADVISED AGAINST IT.
PAYING WOULD HAVE
ONLY COMPOUNDED
THE PROBLEM.

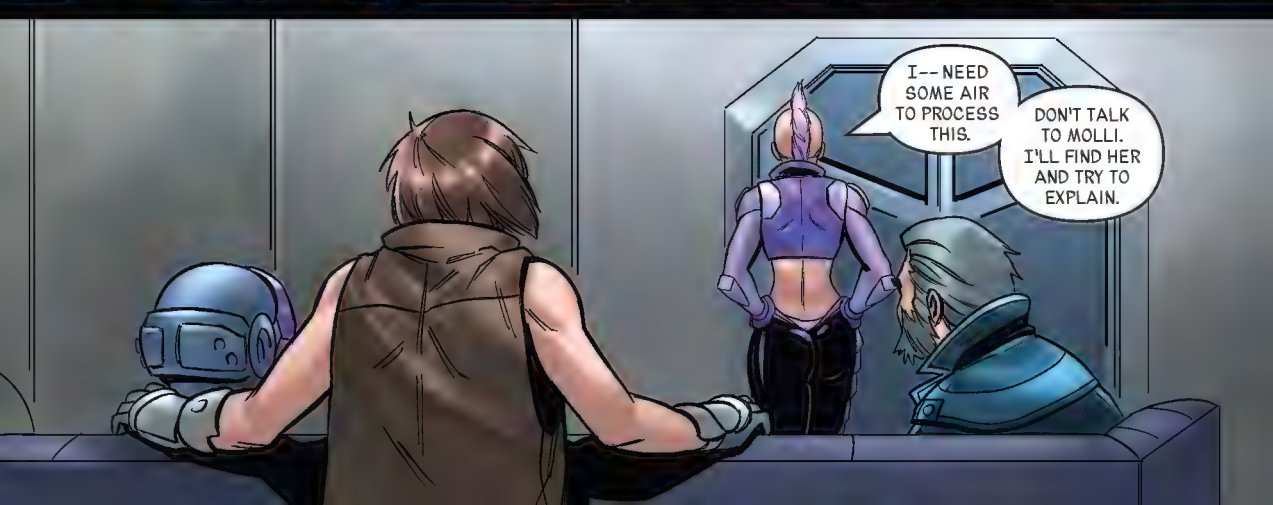


HE WOULD HAVE
BEEN A VAMPIRE
FOR YOU ALL-- ASKING
FOR MORE AND MORE
MONEY. BLEEDING
YOU ALL DRY.

WE DIDN'T
TRUST HIM AND KEPT
A CLOSE EYE ON ARTURO,
BUT I HAD NO IDEA THEY
WERE CONNECTED TO
THEON.



WE TRULY
BELIEVED AFTER
A COUPLE OF JOBS,
SIR PENNY WOULD
HAVE LEFT US ALONE.
I SWEAR I NEVER
WANTED ANYONE
TO GET HURT.



I-- NEED
SOME AIR
TO PROCESS
THIS.

DON'T TALK
TO MOLLI.
I'LL FIND HER
AND TRY TO
EXPLAIN.

NEOCAPITAL.
SIR PENNY'S PUB.

RING
RING

HMPE

UNKNOWN
CALL

DON'T PRESUME
BECAUSE IT'S MY
PHONE THAT I'M
GOING TO ANSWER
THAT CALL.

NO. IT WAS
MY PLAN. I'LL
EXPLAIN.

I DON'T
SEE THE
BOY. WHERE
IS HE?

WE
DON'T HAVE
HIM...YET.

I APPROACHED
HIM, AND HE REJECTED
ME, SIR. WE MOVED TO
TAKE HIM, BUT DEVYN'S
CREW HAD HELP. BUT I
ASSURE YOU--

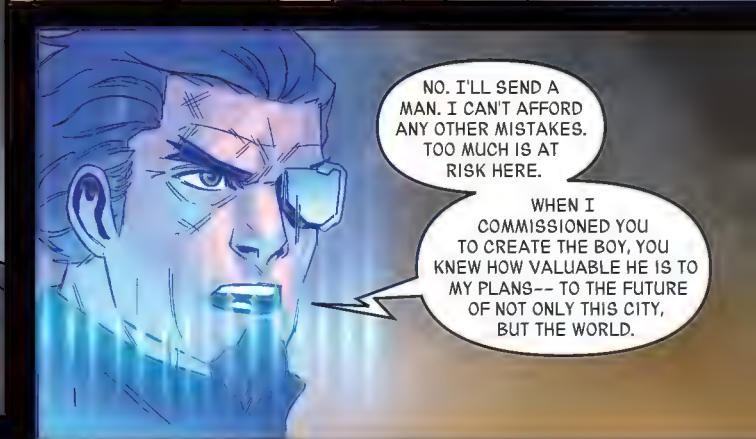
IT WAS A
DUMB PLAN AND WAS
NOT MY CREW'S FAULT.
AN E.M.P BLAST DESTROYED
OUR WEAPONRY AND RIDES--
AND THEY ESCAPED
ON A FANCY JET.



IT WAS
ZUSE THAT
HELPED
THEM.
THAT OLD
FOOL.



I'LL MAKE
THINGS RIGHT,
DRAZIC. I JUST
NEED MORE
TIME TO--



NO, I'LL SEND A
MAN. I CAN'T AFFORD
ANY OTHER MISTAKES.
TOO MUCH IS AT
RISK HERE.

WHEN I
COMMISSIONED YOU
TO CREATE THE BOY, YOU
KNEW HOW VALUABLE HE IS TO
MY PLANS-- TO THE FUTURE
OF NOT ONLY THIS CITY,
BUT THE WORLD.

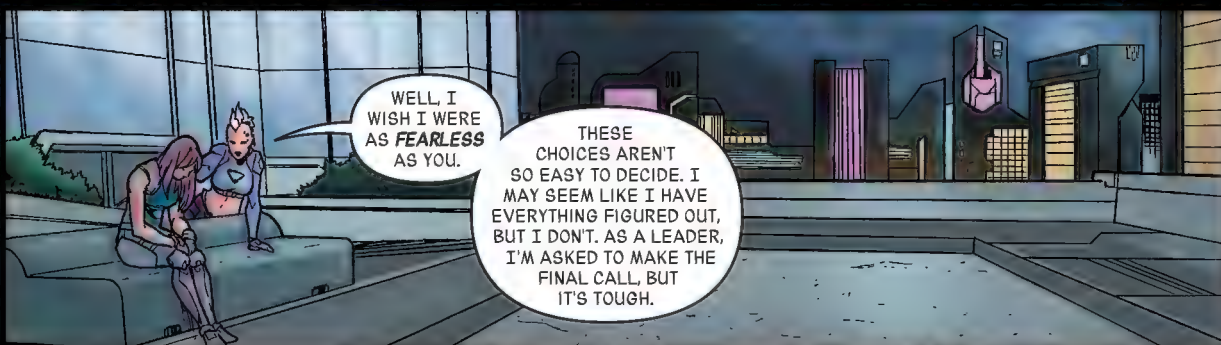
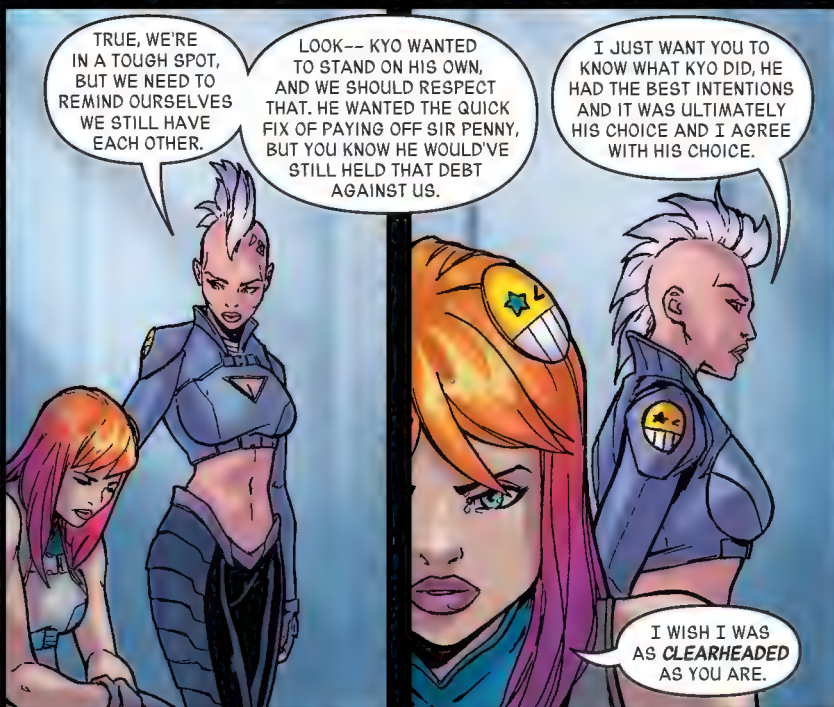


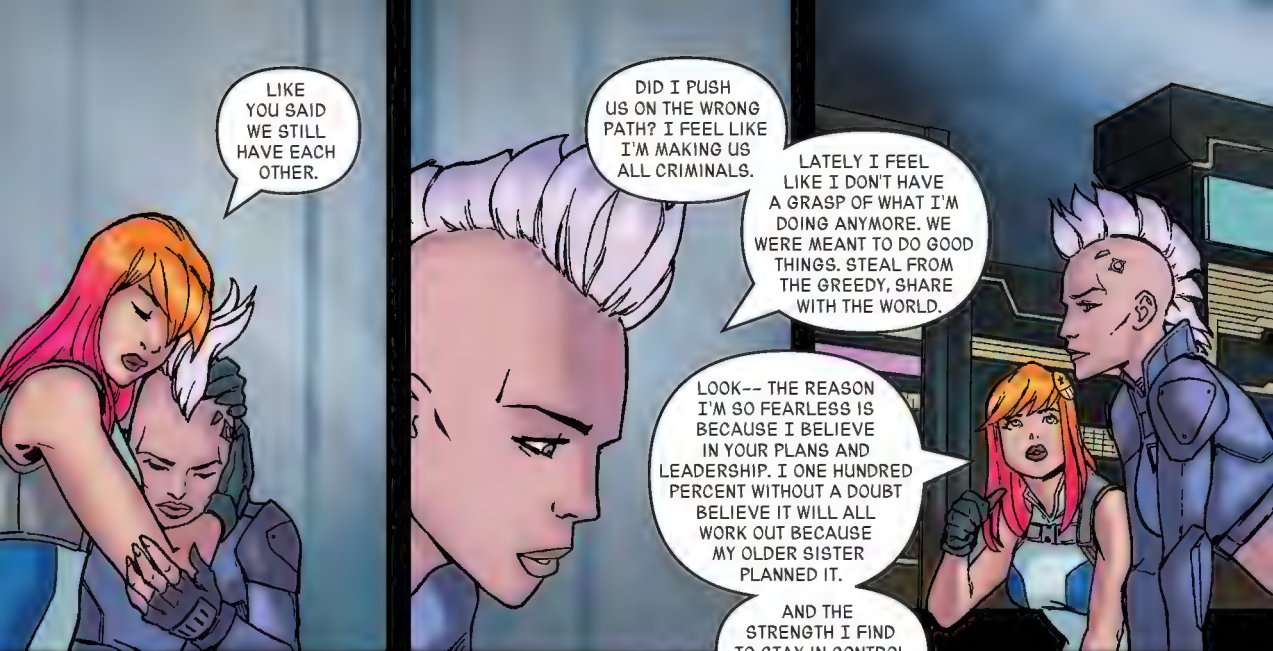
OF COURSE.
HE IS ONE OF
A KIND. ALL THE
OTHER EMBRYOS SHOWED
UNEXPECTED MUTATIONS.
MY SON SURVIVED. MY
WIFE DID NOT. HE IS
JUST AS VALUABLE
TO ME AS YOU.



MY **LIEUTENANT**
WILL GET ASHER
TONIGHT, AND WE WILL
CONTINUE OUR WORK RIGHT
AWAY. IF HE REJECTED YOU
AS HIS FATHER, THEN WE
HAVE NO CHOICE BUT
TO REMOVE HIS
FREE WILL.

I-- I
UNDERSTAND.
THE PLAN
MUST MOVE
FORWARD.





LIKE
YOU SAID
WE STILL
HAVE EACH
OTHER.

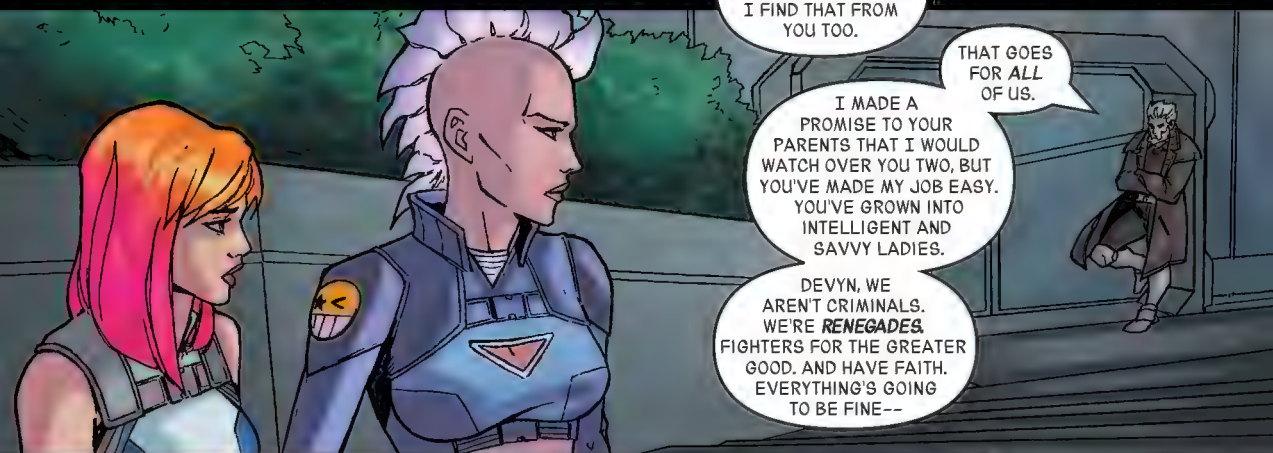
DID I PUSH
US ON THE WRONG
PATH? I FEEL LIKE
I'M MAKING US
ALL CRIMINALS.

LATELY I FEEL
LIKE I DON'T HAVE
A GRASP OF WHAT I'M
DOING ANYMORE. WE
WERE MEANT TO DO GOOD
THINGS. STEAL FROM
THE GREEDY, SHARE
WITH THE WORLD.

LOOK-- THE REASON
I'M SO FEARLESS IS
BECAUSE I BELIEVE
IN YOUR PLANS AND
LEADERSHIP. I ONE HUNDRED
PERCENT WITHOUT A DOUBT
BELIEVE IT WILL ALL
WORK OUT BECAUSE
MY OLDER SISTER
PLANNED IT.

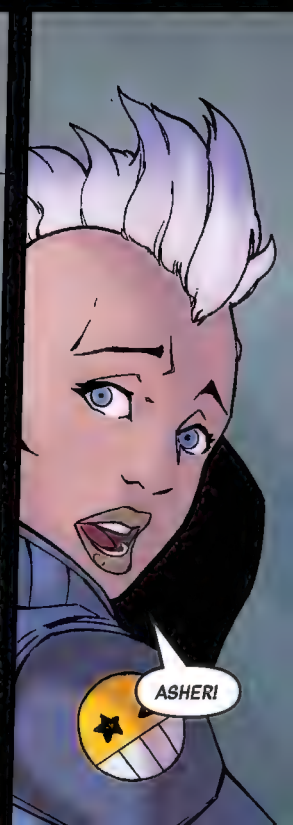
AND THE
STRENGTH I FIND
TO STAY IN CONTROL,
I FIND THAT FROM
YOU TOO.

THAT GOES
FOR ALL
OF US.



I MADE A
PROMISE TO YOUR
PARENTS THAT I WOULD
WATCH OVER YOU TWO, BUT
YOU'VE MADE MY JOB EASY.
YOU'VE GROWN INTO
INTELLIGENT AND
SAVVY LADIES.

DEVYN, WE
AREN'T CRIMINALS.
WE'RE **RENEGADES**.
FIGHTERS FOR THE GREATER
GOOD. AND HAVE FAITH.
EVERYTHING'S GOING
TO BE FINE--



ASHER!



HEY GUYS!
MISS ME?





STAND DOWN,
ROMAN!

AGKK!

KRAKK



THAT SHOULD
HAVE KNOCKED YOU
OUT-- HOW?

PPTTOO

NECTAR--
IT'S ONE HELL OF
A DRUG.



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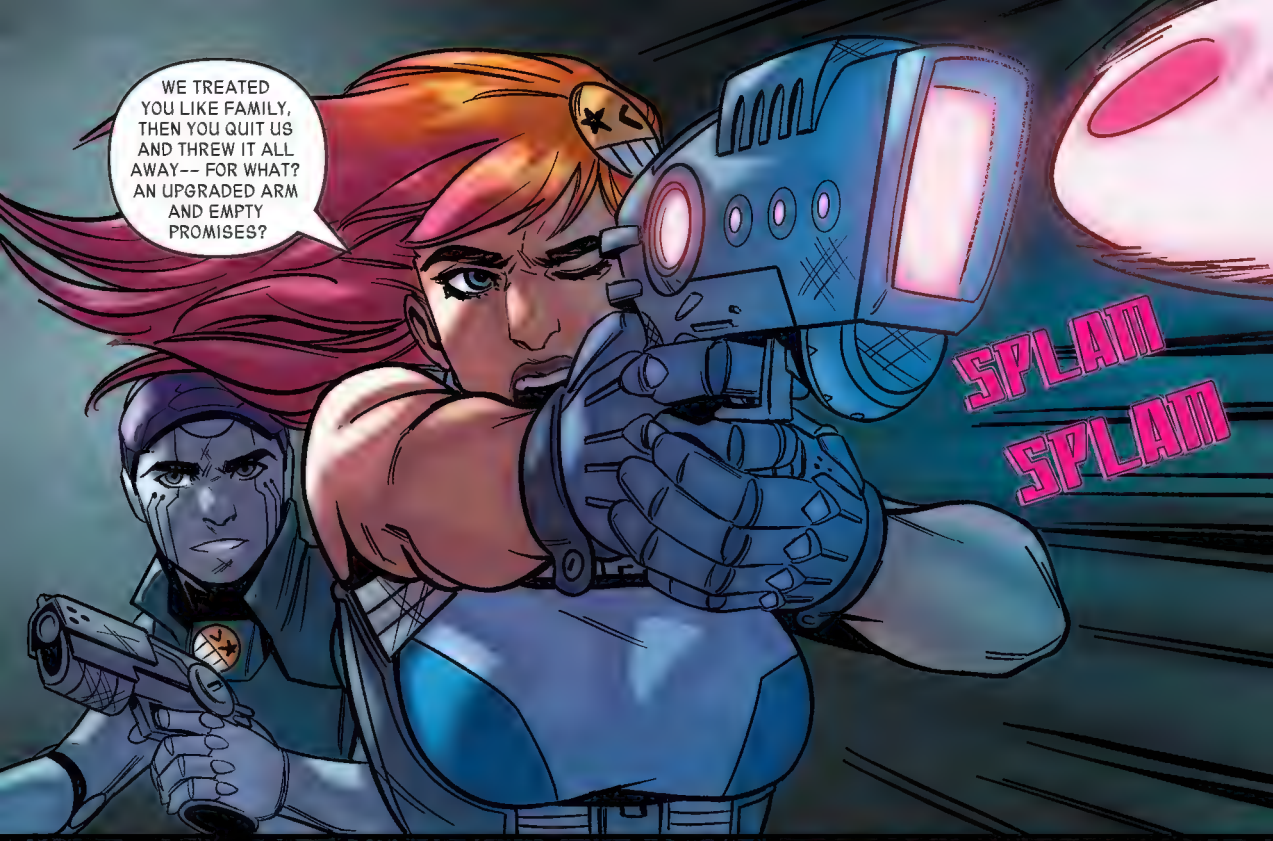
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DON'T YOU
KNOW BY NOW,
I'M FULL OF
SURPRISES?



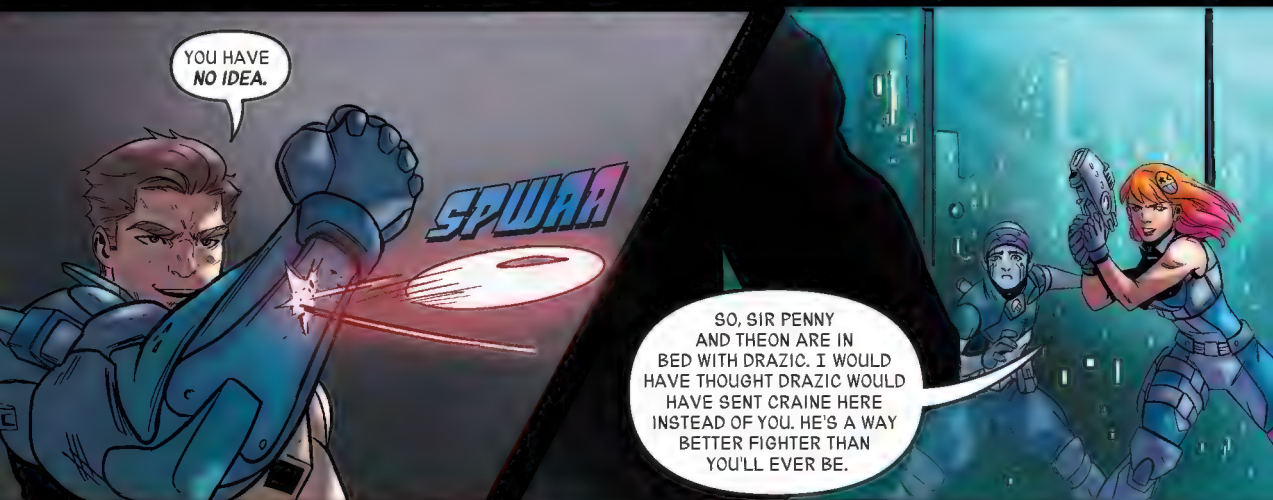
WAAWAAWAAW

NNGGG!!



WE TREATED
YOU LIKE FAMILY,
THEN YOU QUIT US
AND THREW IT ALL
AWAY-- FOR WHAT?
AN UPGRADED ARM
AND EMPTY
PROMISES?

SPLAM
SPLAM



YOU HAVE
NO IDEA.

SPWAA

SO, SIR PENNY
AND THEON ARE IN
BED WITH DRAZIC. I WOULD
HAVE THOUGHT DRAZIC WOULD
HAVE SENT CRAINE HERE
INSTEAD OF YOU. HE'S A WAY
BETTER FIGHTER THAN
YOU'LL EVER BE.

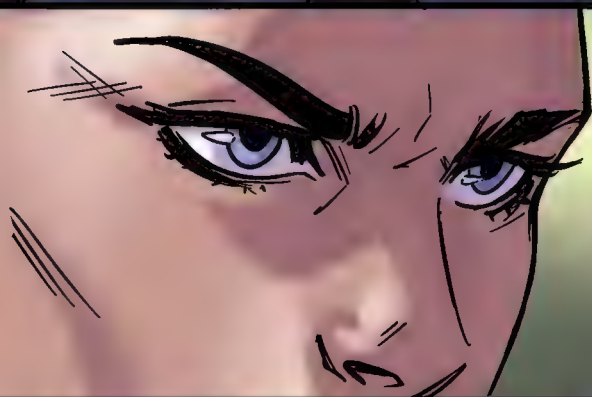
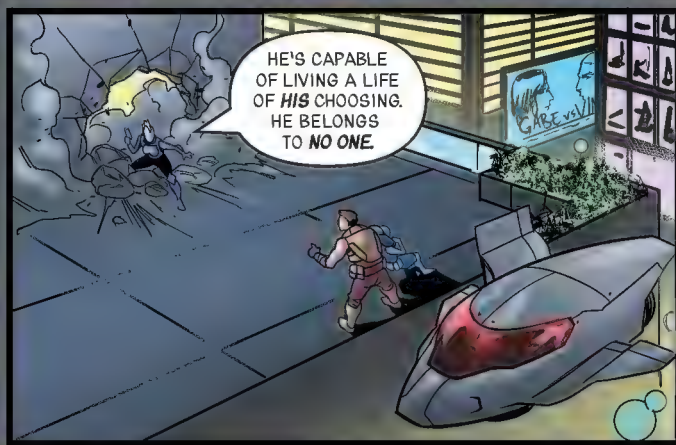


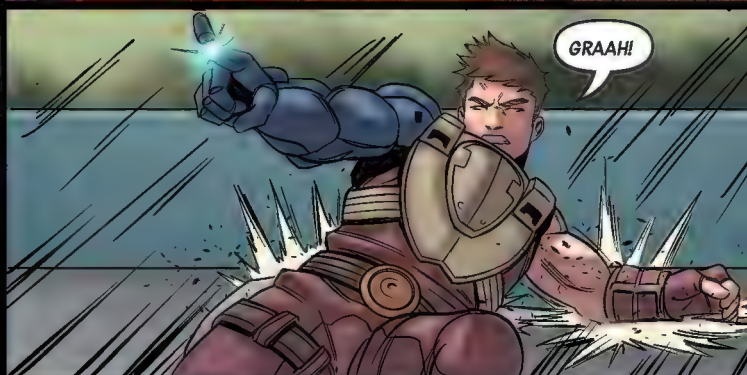
CRAINE WAS
RELIEVED OF HIS DUTIES
ONCE YOU SHAMEFULLY
DEFEATED HIM.

NOW I'M DRAZIC'S
RIGHT-HAND MAN. JOIN
US, MOLLI. WE COULD USE
A GIRL OF YOUR TALENT.
PLUS-- YOU'LL GET ALL
THE COOL TOYS.

I'D RATHER
DIE THAN WORK
FOR DRAZIC.













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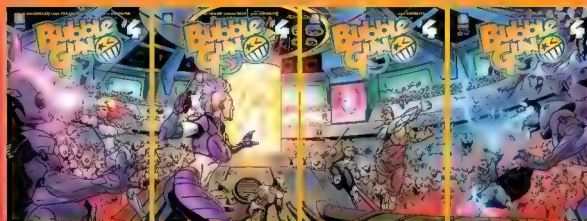
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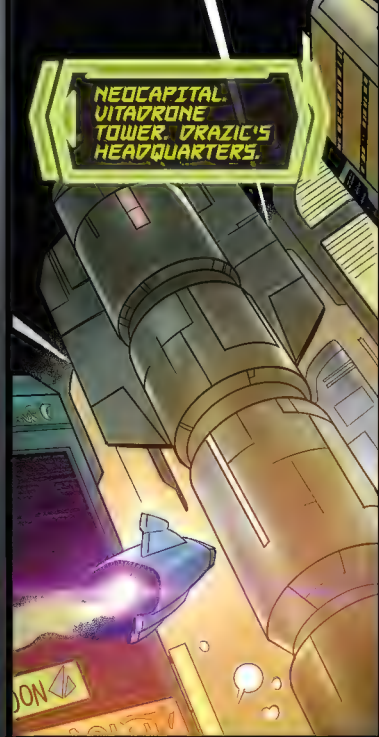
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OF COURSE.
IF I WERE YOU,
I'D FEEL THE
SAME WAY.

ROMAN,
RELEASE HIM
FROM THE CHAIR.
ASHER ISN'T A
PRISONER HERE.
HE'S ONE OF
US.



SILLY ME.
WHAT WAS I
THINKING?



NOW LEAVE
US. YOU'RE
SCARING
HIM.

I'M NOT
SCARED.



GOOD, YOU
SHOULDN'T BE.
THIS IS YOUR
HOME.

I'M NOT YOUR
PARENT, BUT IT
WAS I THAT
CONCEIVED
YOU.



I CAN IMAGINE THIS IS ALL
VERY CONFUSING, BUT LET ME
EXPLAIN WHY YOU WERE MEANT
TO BE HERE. YOUR FATHER WAS
WORKING FOR VERY EVIL MEN.
I APPROACHED THEON AND
GAVE HIM THE MEANS TO
CREATE YOU.

BUT THOSE EVIL MEN
DISCOVERED YOUR
FATHER AND I WERE
WORKING TOGETHER
AND THEY TOOK YOU
FROM US.

IT WAS INOTECH THAT
KILLED YOUR PRECIOUS
MOTHER, NOT I, AND
CERTAINLY NOT YOUR
FATHER.



YOU ARE THE FIRST HUMAN BORN CYBORG. A MIRACLE. AND YOU WERE MEANT FOR GREAT THINGS. DO YOU KNOW WHAT DESTINY MEANS?

I KNOW A LOT MORE THAN YOU THINK I DO.

THEN YOU MUST KNOW YOUR POTENTIAL IS LIMITLESS--NOT JUST REWRITING SIMPLE DNA.



WE NEED YOU, ASHER.

YOU WERE DESTINED TO MAKE THIS WORLD A BETTER PLACE. NOT JUST THIS CITY...THE WHOLE WORLD.

BUT YOU CANNOT DO IT ALONE. THERE IS MUCH TO LEARN AND YOUR FATHER AND I ARE HERE TO HELP GUIDE YOU.



ONCE THIS CITY HAS NECTAR FLOWING THROUGH ITS VEINS, WE'LL BE ABLE TO CONTROL OUR RIVALS, AND YOU WILL CHANGE MY DNA TO REPLACE THEM-- AND THEN I WILL RELEASE CONTROL OF THEIR COMPANIES TO ME.

TOGETHER WE WILL ELIMINATE INOTECH FOR TAKING YOUR MOTHER'S LIFE, AND THEN...

...WE WILL RESET THIS CORRUPT, UNSTABLE WORLD...



"...ONE PERSON AT TIME IF WE HAVE TO."



MOLLI, ARE YOU ALL RIGHT?

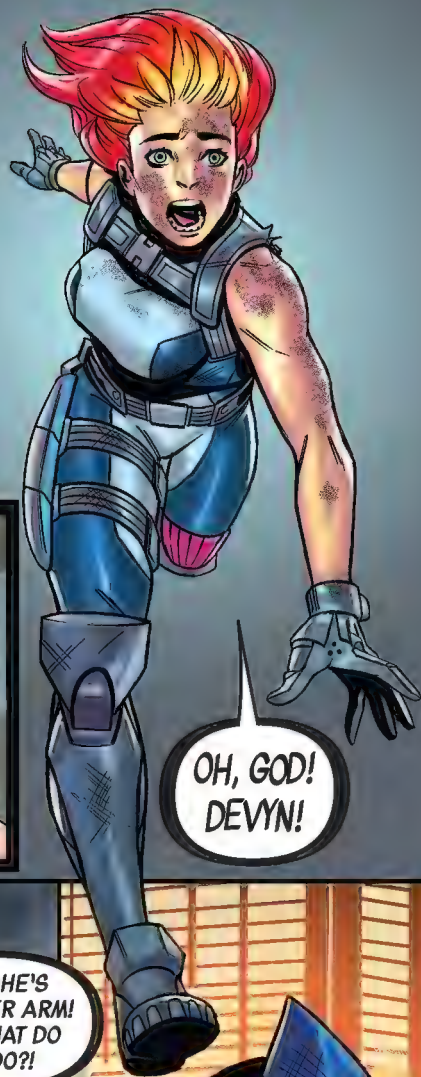
I'M FINE--UHH--AS FINE AS A PERSON WHO ALMOST EXPLODED WOULD FEEL.

ROMAN ELECTROCUTED ME. I THINK ALL MY BODY HAIR FELL OFF.



LOOKS LIKE WE LOST. ZUSE IS OVER THERE CHECKING IF HIS EARS ARE STILL ON HIS HEAD.

WAIT-- WHERE'S DEVYN?



OH, GOD! DEVYN!

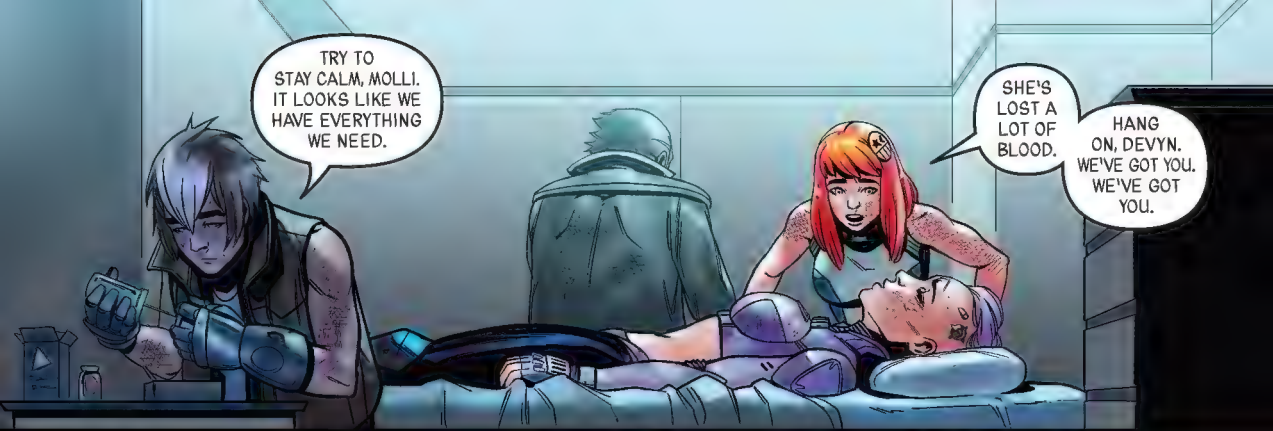


NO, NO... NO...

KYO! SHE'S LOST HER ARM! KYO, WHAT DO WE DO?!



QUICKLY-- LET'S TAKE HER TO THE MASTER BEDROOM. THERE'S A TON OF MEDICAL STUFF IN THE BATHROOM.



TRY TO
STAY CALM, MOLLI.
IT LOOKS LIKE WE
HAVE EVERYTHING
WE NEED.

SHE'S
LOST A
LOT OF
BLOOD.

HANG
ON, DEVYN.
WE'VE GOT YOU.
WE'VE GOT
YOU.



THIS
SHOULD HEAL
THE WOUND
AND...

...THIS
SHOULD HELP
STABILIZE
HER.



WILL SHE BE OKAY?
WHAT SHOULD I DO?
DOES SHE NEED MY
BLOOD---

SHE'LL
HEAL BUT SHE
MUST REST. LET'S
LET THE BIO-TUBE
DO ITS THING.

I DON'T
WANT TO
LEAVE HER
SIDE.



C'MON,
DEVYN.
PLEASE BE
OKAY...

1
JUST GOT
WORD DRAZIC
HAS ASHER. DO YOU
THINK HE'S UPSET
WE WEREN'T ABLE
TO DELIVER HIM
OURSELVES?

NO. OUR DEAL
WAS TO MANUFACTURE
THE DRUG AND GET IT ON
THE STREETS, NOT COLLECT
SOME SCIENTIST'S BOY.
THAT'S THE LAST SHIPMENT
OF NECTAR GOING
OUT.

EVERY STREET IN
NEOCAPITOL HAS HAD A
FREE SAMPLE OF IT BY NOW.
ONCE PEOPLE SEE WHAT IT
CAN DO TO THEM, EVERYONE
IN THE CITY WILL WANT
A TASTE.

WE ARE
GOING TO MAKE
SO MUCH MONEY OFF
OF THIS DRUG, SIR
PENNY. OUR RIVALS
WON'T KNOW WHAT
HIT THEM!

YES--WE'LL
MAKE MONEY, BUT
DRAZIC WILL
GAIN ALL THE
POWER.

IT'S A FAIR
PARTNERSHIP,
NO?

IT WOULD
SEEM SO, BUT
I TRUST NO ONE.
ONE DAY DRAZIC AND
VITADRONE WILL TURN
ON US. WE MUST
STRIKE FIRST.



YOU REALLY WANT
TO GO UP AGAINST
DRAZIC?

DO
YOU DOUBT
ME?

ABSOLUTELY
NOT. I MEANT NO
DISRESPECT--
ONLY CONCERN.



I SPOKE
TO YOU BEFORE
ABOUT ABSOLUTE
TRUST.

WATCH
BELOW...



WITH THE DATA
WE PROCURED FROM
THAT STATUE HEAD
MOLLI STOLE FROM
ARMORCORP'S CHIEF
ENGINEER, WE'LL BE
ABLE TO OVERRIDE AND
CONTROL NEARLY EVERY
SECURITY BOT EVER
BUILT.



WHILE DRAZIC AND
THEON ARE PLAYING
WITH THEIR COMPUTER
BOY TOY, WE'LL TAKE
CONTROL OF VITADRONE
WITH THEIR OWN
ROBOTS.

ONCE THIS CITY HAS NECTAR
FLOWING THROUGH ITS VEINS
AND WE'VE SEIZED VITADRONE
FROM DRAZIC, WE WON'T JUST
TAKE DOWN OUR RIVALS, WE'LL
CONTROL THIS WHOLE DAMN
COUNTRY.



THESE
CORPORATIONS
NEED TO BE
REMEDIED--

--AND THE
REMEDY IS
SIR PENNY.





DANG IT, THIS SUCKS. IF ASHER WAS HERE, HE COULD'VE HEALED DEVYN RIGHT AWAY.

HOW DID ROMAN EVEN KNOW OF THIS PLACE?

I--I DON'T KNOW. I TOLD NO ONE BUT YOU. HE MUST HAVE--

BLAST IT! HE'S BEEN TRACING THE SHIP.

...THIS REALLY SUCKS.

MOLLI? HOW'S DEVYN DOING?



NO CHANGE. I'M JUST GETTING SOME WATER.

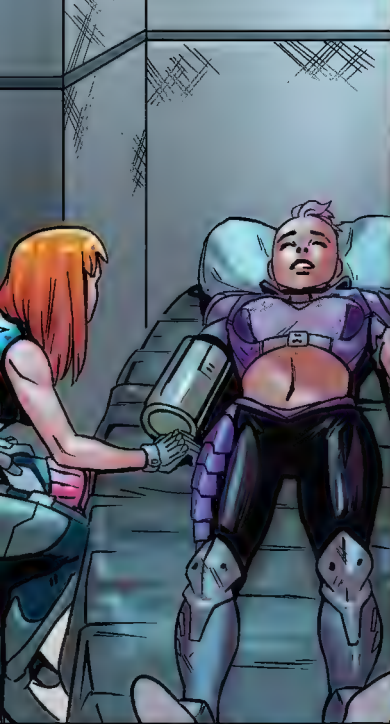
SHE'LL BE OKAY, MOLLI. I'M SURE OF IT.



HEY...UMM, I--I'M REALLY SORRY FOR KEEPING MY PAST HIDDEN FROM YOU. I NEVER WANTED ANYONE TO GET HURT.

YEAH, I KNOW...IT'S OKAY.

I'M GOING TO GO BACK IN WITH HER.



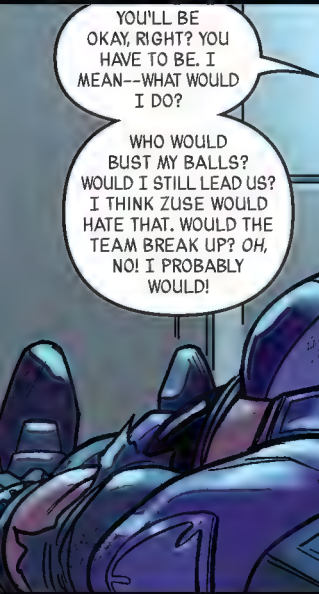
I'M SORRY
THIS HAPPENED
TO YOU. I CAN'T
STAND IT WHEN
YOU GET HURT.

I KNOW
IN THE PAST I
WOULD JOKE WITH
YOU ABOUT TAKING
OVER AS LEADER, BUT
YOU KNOW I WOULD
NEVER WANT
THAT.



YOU'RE THE
STRONGEST PERSON
I HAVE EVER KNOWN.
IF YOU'RE NOT HERE
TO LEAD US...

...LEAD
ME--I'D BE
COMPLETELY LOST
IN THIS WORLD.



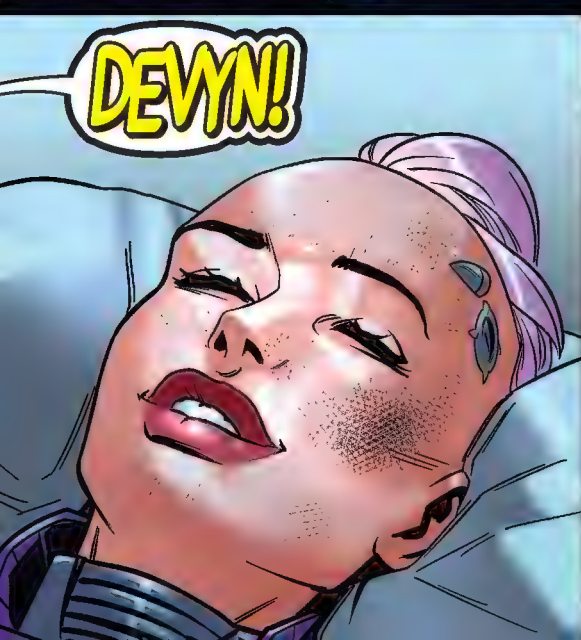
YOU'LL BE
OKAY, RIGHT? YOU
HAVE TO BE. I
MEAN--WHAT WOULD
I DO?

WHO WOULD
BUST MY BALLS?
WOULD I STILL LEAD US?
I THINK ZUSE WOULD
HATE THAT. WOULD THE
TEAM BREAK UP? OH,
NO! I PROBABLY
WOULD!

WOULD I
THROW AWAY MY
RELATIONSHIP WITH
KYO TOO? GOD, I WOULD
PROBABLY TURN ALL
EMO AND HANG OUT
IN ALLEYWAYS
AND--

CALM...

...DOWN.



DEVYN!



UMFF--

GUNS! SHE'S AWAKE!

THE FIGHT IN YOU IS NOTHING SHORT OF AMAZING.

THERE SHE IS!

WHOA. WHOA. TAKE IT EASY, GIRL.

THERE'S NO TIME FOR THAT. WE'RE IN...NNHH...A HARD SPOT. ONE OF US WAS TAKEN. WE MUST RESCUE ASHER RIGHT AWAY.

WE'LL TAKE CARE OF IT. YOU'RE GOING NOWHERE.

WHAT? THIS SCRATCH? I WAS THINKING OF MAKING A CYBERNETIC UPGRADE ANYWAY.

YOU REST. WE'LL GET ASHER BACK. AND ONCE WE DO, HE'LL GROW YOUR HAND BACK LIKE NEW.

CAN HE EVEN DO THAT?

ROMAN SAID SOMETHING LIKE, "YOU DON'T EVEN KNOW HOW SUPER DUPER SPECIAL HE IS. RAH. RAH. BLAH."

DRAZIC HAS GONE TO EXTREME MEASURES TO CAPTURE HIM.

"I SUSPECT THEY HAVE
EVEN BIGGER PLANS FOR
HIM THAN GROWING LIMBS."

IT'S A LOT TO
TAKE IN, BUT YOU MUST
KNOW THAT YOUR MOTHER
AND I WANTED THIS FOR
YOU. DRAZIC SPOKE OF
DESTINY, AND HE'S
RIGHT...THIS IS YOURS.

WE HAD BIG DREAMS
FOR OUR ONLY SON. I
DEDICATED MY LIFE'S
WORK TOWARDS
YOU.

WITH DRAZIC'S
HELP, WE'LL CHANGE
THE WORLD FOR THE
BETTERMENT OF MANKIND.
WE JUST NEED YOU TO
TRUST US AND CONNECT
TO OUR BIO-
SYSTEM.

STEP IN THE TUBE,
SON. THE WORLD
NEEDS YOU.

THIS IS
WHO YOU WERE
MEANT TO BE...A
GOD AMONGST
MEN.

THAT'S NOT WHO I AM.
I'LL NEVER BE WHAT
YOU WANT ME TO BE. I
AM WHAT I CHOOSE
TO BE.

DEVYN
TAUGHT ME
THAT.

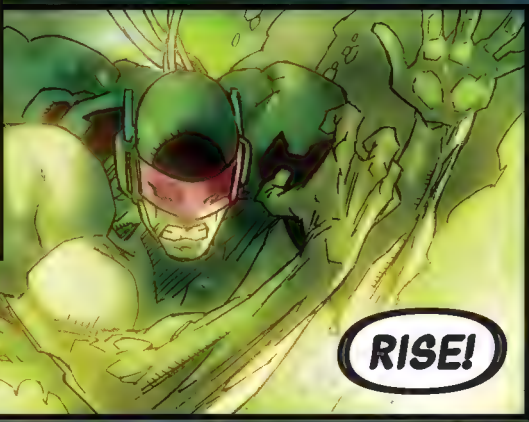
FOOLISH.
THEY ARE NOT
YOUR FAMILY!

WE
ARE!





I'VE
WAITED TOO
LONG FOR
THIS--



RISE!

ARRRRGGH!!

MARVELOUS--!

HA HAI
THE FUTURE
OF MANKIND
STANDS
BEFORE US!





THIS WILL HAVE TO DO FOR NOW. WE DON'T HAVE TIME TO WASTE.



THOSE JERK-FACES HAVE ASHER AND THE COUNTRY'S SECURITY DRONES OVERRIDE CODES. WE NEED TO GET OUR FRIEND BACK AND PUT AN END TO THIS.

YOU'RE NOT GOING ANYWHERE.

YEAH, I DON'T LIKE THIS.

AGREED.

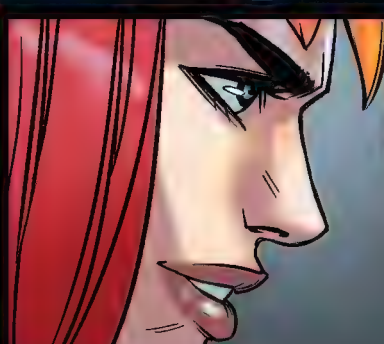


THIS ISN'T UP FOR DEBATE. I'M THE LEADER AND I'M GOING. YES, I'M IN A TON OF PAIN AND WOULD LOVE TO REST, BUT WHERE WE'RE GOING, YOU'LL NEED ME.

ASHER NEEDS US. SUIT UP I HAVE TO MAKE ONE PHONE CALL, THEN WE LEAVE IN FIFTEEN.



LOOK, HMFFF...I WOULD NEVER SEND MY CREW--MY FAMILY-- ON A SUICIDE MISSION THAT I DIDN'T ATTEND TO JOIN IN MYSELF IF THIS IS HOW WE GO DOWN, THEN WE'RE GOING DOWN TOGETHER.



YOU HEARD THE LADY-- RELOAD AND LOAD OUT!

WAIT-- PLEASE TELL ME YOU HAVE MORE TO THIS SUICIDE PLAN THAN A PHONE CALL?



FOR TOO LONG THIS WORLD HAS BEEN DECAYING-- SPLINTERING-- DIRECTIONLESS--

IT NEEDS A COMPLETE OVERHAUL--TO BE STEERED ON A SINGLE PATH.

NOW THAT ASHER IS CONNECTED TO OUR BIO-SYSTEM MAINFRAME...



...TOGETHER, WE WILL GIVE THIS WORLD ORDER AND PURPOSE.

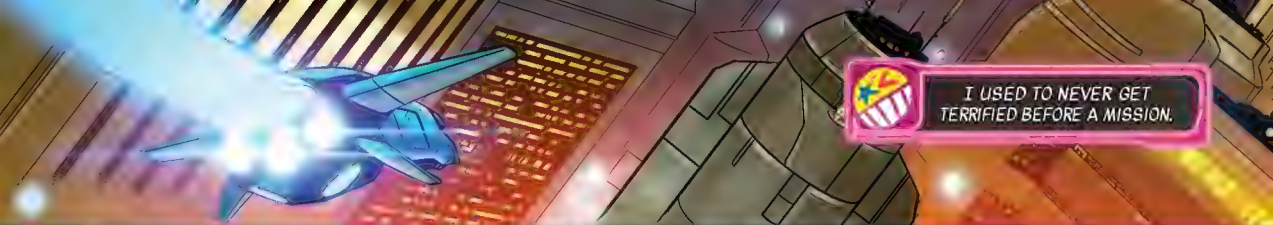
HIS FRIENDS WILL SURELY COME FOR HIM.

OH, I KNOW.



I'M COUNTING ON THEM TO COME FOR YOU.

THEY'LL BE THE FIRST SUBJECTS TO WITNESS FIRSTHAND ASHER'S POWER AND MY VISION FOR THIS WORLD.



 I USED TO NEVER GET TERRIFIED BEFORE A MISSION.



IF WE MAKE IT OUT OF THIS ALIVE, DO YOU THINK WE STILL HAVE A FUTURE TOGETHER?

I KNOW...NOT THE RIGHT TIME.

BZZT

ONCE KYO AND I BECAME A COUPLE...THINGS SEEM TO HAVE CHANGED.



KYO--

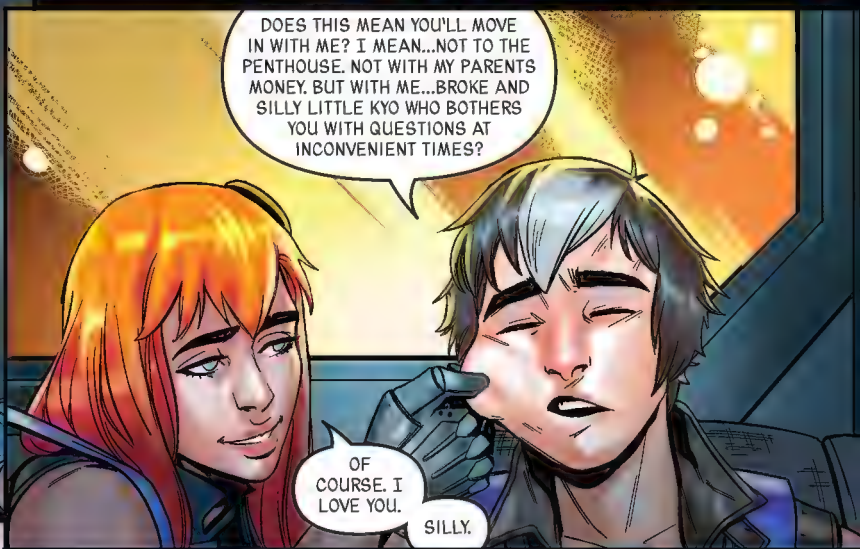
I'LL ALWAYS MAKE TIME FOR US.

I'M NOT ANGRY AT YOU. I DON'T WANT TO BREAK UP. I--I'M JUST SCARED OF SETTLING DOWN.



I GUESS A PART OF ME LIKED NOT KNOWING WHERE OUR FUTURE WAS HEADING. TO ME THAT WAS...EXCITING. AND I'M AFRAID OF LOSING THAT.

YOU'VE NEVER GIVEN UP ON ME, AND I DON'T PLAN ON GIVING UP ON US.



DOES THIS MEAN YOU'LL MOVE IN WITH ME? I MEAN...NOT TO THE PENTHOUSE. NOT WITH MY PARENTS MONEY, BUT WITH ME...BROKE AND SILLY LITTLE KYO WHO BOTHERS YOU WITH QUESTIONS AT INCONVENIENT TIMES?

OF COURSE. I LOVE YOU.

SILLY.





EVEN IF WE PULL
THIS OFF--

GET ASHER BACK--
GET HOME--



--I DON'T KNOW IF WE'LL
ALL SURVIVE, BUT ONE
THING'S FOR SURE--

BE
READY FOR
ANYTHING.



BING

<ACCESS
GRANTED>

NO
GUARDS?

--TOO MUCH IS ON THE
LINE TO TURN BACK NOW.



WE'RE
TOO LATE.

ASHER?!
IS--IS THAT YOU?
WHAT HAVE THEY
DONE TO YOU?

THIS IS
TOO EASY. THEY
KNOW WE'RE
HERE.



AND THEY
HAVE US RIGHT
WHERE THEY
WANT US.



OH,
PICKLE
JUICE...



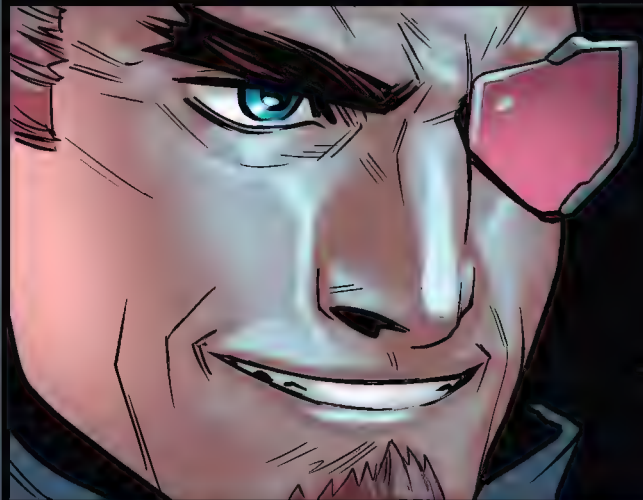
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THOUGHT YOU
HAD A CHANCE,
DIDN'T YOU?

WITH THE
OVERRIDE CODES
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YOU STEAL FROM
ARMORCORP
FOR ME...



...I NOW
CONTROL EVERY
SECURITY ROBOT
IN THE COUNTRY.

HOSTILES
IDENTIFIED.



BRING
THEM TO
ME.



THERE'S
TOO MANY
OF THEM!

FIRE!
GIVE'EM
EVERYTHING
YOU'VE GOT!

BLAM
BLAM

SPLAT!
SPLAT!

KEEP
SHOOTING!



KKIT

UFF!



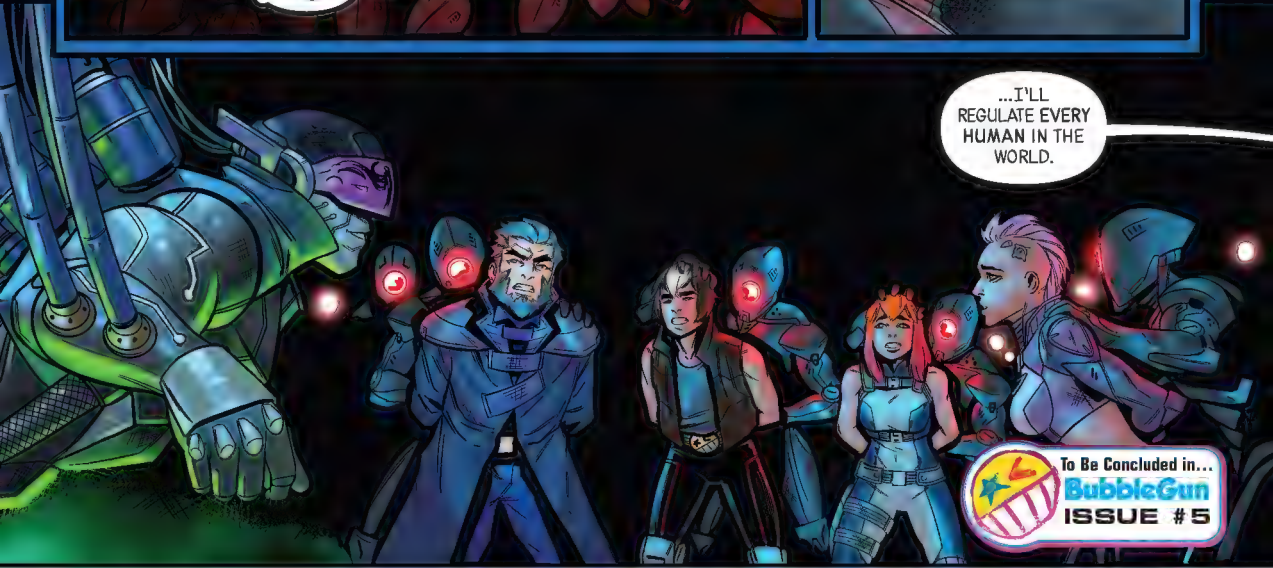
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RAAH!

Nooo!



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NATION-- AND WITH
ENHANCED ASHER
NOW UNDER MY
CONTROL...



...I'LL
REGULATE EVERY
HUMAN IN THE
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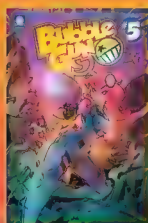
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FREEDOM IS ANARCHY. PEACE CAN ONLY BE ACHIEVED THROUGH CONTROL.

I NOW HAVE CONTROL OF YOU, ASHER, THE COUNTRY'S ROBOTS, AND SOON... EVERY HUMAN LEADER IN POWER.

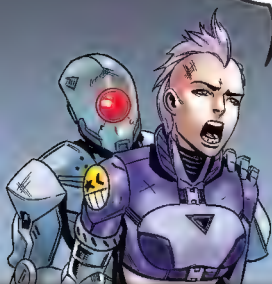


IS THERE SOMETHING YOU LADIES WOULD LIKE TO SAY? HMM?

NORMALLY YOU HAVE SOME QUIP ON THE TIP OF YOUR TONGUE, BUT YOU'RE SWALLOWING IT DOWN NOW. YOU'VE FINALLY RECOGNIZED DEFEAT. YOU LITTLE--



YOU TOOK MY ARM AND HAVE US CAPTIVE, SURE...BUT AT THE END OF THE DAY--YOU'RE STILL DUMB AS BRICKS AND WORTHLESS ON YOUR OWN!



I'M HAPPY YOU LIVED. I WANTED YOU TO COME HERE AFTER YOUR FRIEND--TO WITNESS WHAT'S TO COME. TO TEACH YOU.

SO YOU CAN LEARN HOW WEAK YOU ARE, AND HOW POWERFUL I AM.

PLUS, IF ANYTHING GOES WRONG...YOU'RE HERE TO TAKE THE BLAME.



YOU REALIZE ROMAN COULD HAVE KILLED YOU ALL.

YOU'RE ALIVE BECAUSE I ORDERED HIM TO KEEP YOU ALIVE. THE LOSS OF YOUR ARM WAS HIS IDEA--NO DOUBT YOU PROVOKED HIM.







HRAGGHHH!

I'VE FORCED ASHER TO ACCESS EVERY NECTAR USER IN THE WORLD. HE CAN PINPOINT ONE INDIVIDUAL, OR ALL USERS...



...AND CHANGE THEIR DNA WHILE CONTROLLING THEIR BODIES WITH SWARMS OF NANITES FLOWING THROUGH THEM.

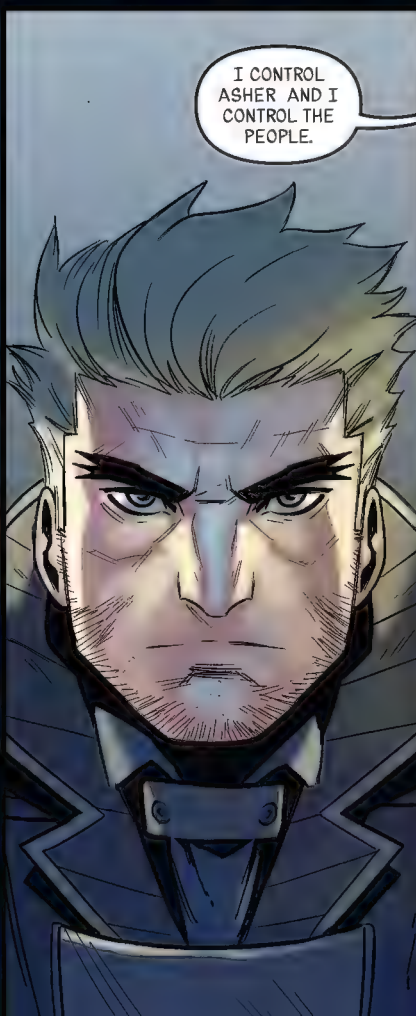


HRHH!

STOP IT--! ASHER, STOP THIS!



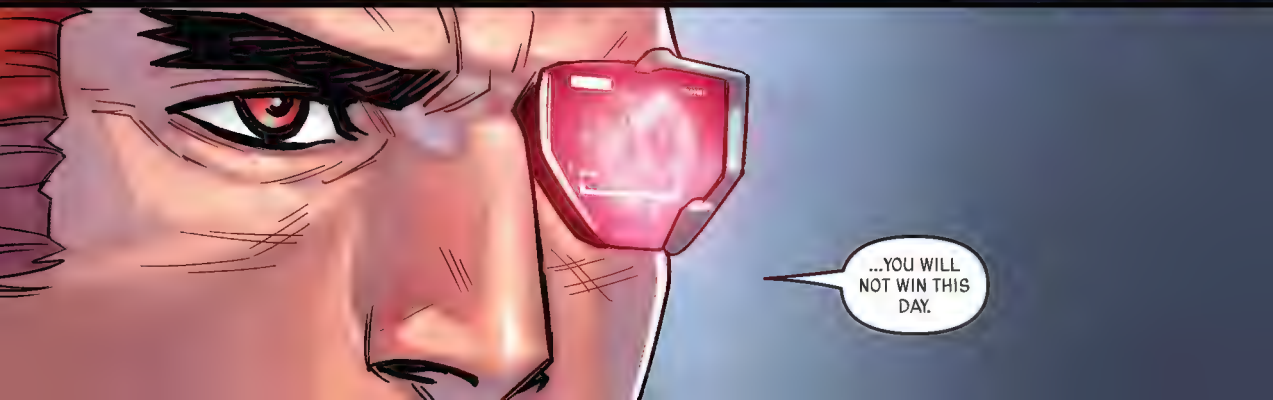
THIS DRUG WILL ALSO KEEP THE PUBLIC IN CHECK.



I CONTROL ASHER AND I CONTROL THE PEOPLE.



AND I'M ABLE TO CONTROL EVERYONE WHO HAS USED NECTAR ON A MOLECULAR LEVEL.





OVER THE YEARS, THE WORLD WE LIVE IN HAS BEEN ON THE CUSP OF SELF-ANNIHILATION. THE ONLY WAY TO SAVE IT IS TO SEIZE CONTROL OF IT.

THERE ARE PRIVATE ENTITIES THAT OWN PRODUCTION. COMPANIES WITH CONTROL OF WHAT YOU BUY. GOVERNMENT FINGERS OVER KILL SWITCHES. I'LL STOP THEM ALL AND UNIFY THIS WORLD IN A MATTER OF DAYS. NOT BY FEAR, BUT WITH SCIENCE.



YOU'RE TALKING OF ELIMINATING FREE WILL...OF SLAVERY. THIS IS MADNESS.



UMFF!

NO, DEVYN. MADNESS IS ALLOWING GREEDY CHILDREN TO RUN THIS WORLD.



YOU'RE THE CHILD.

I KNOW YOU. I KNOW YOU BETTER THAN YOU KNOW YOURSELF.

PEOPLE LIKE YOU... BLINDED BY THE NOTION THAT YOU KNOW WHAT'S BEST, WHEN YOU'RE TRULY ONLY DOING WHAT'S BEST FOR YOURSELF.



YOU WANTED US HERE? WELL, I WANTED US TO BE HERE TOO. THE ONLY WAY TO STOP A SNAKE IS TO GRAB IT BY THE HEAD AND REMOVE IT.

STRONG SENTIMENT, BUT YOU DON'T KNOW ME--AND YOU CERTAINLY HAVE NO GRIP ON ME.





PUT THE GUNS DOWN OR ZUSE AND ASHER ARE GHOSTS.

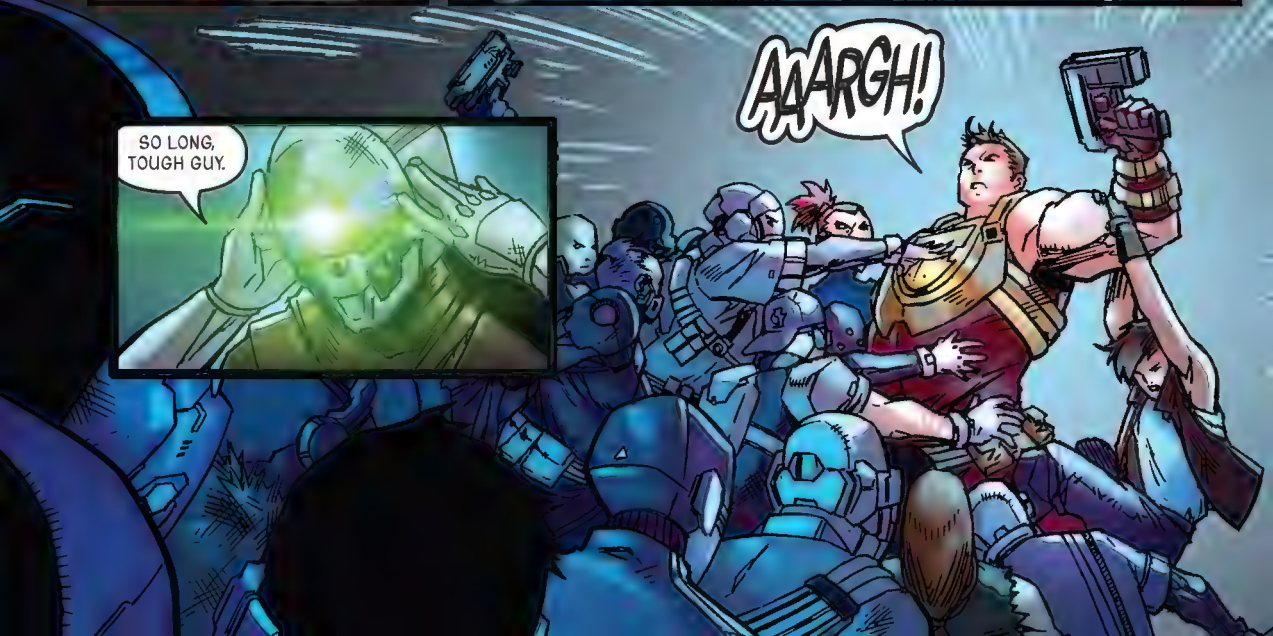


DON'T WORRY ROMAN, WE DIDN'T FORGET ABOUT YOUR TRAITOROUS BUTT.

YOUR ARM WAS MANUFACTURED IN THE SAME PLANT AS THESE SECURITY ROBOTS...



...WHICH SIR PENNY ALSO HAS A COPY OF THE OVERRIDE CODES.



AAARGH!



SO LONG, TOUGH GUY.

YOU'RE
RIGHT, DRAZIC.
WE COULD NEVER
DEFEAT YOU...BUT
YOUR OWN
AMBITION WILL.



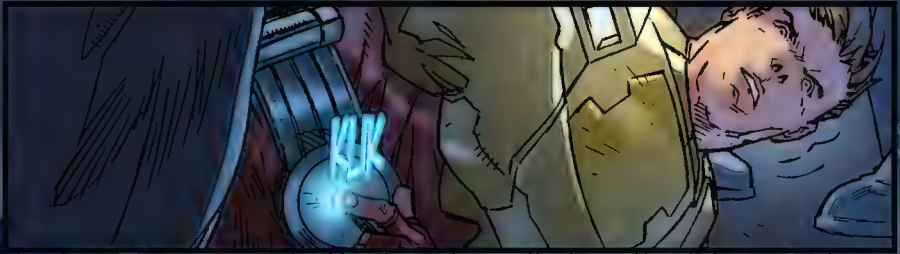
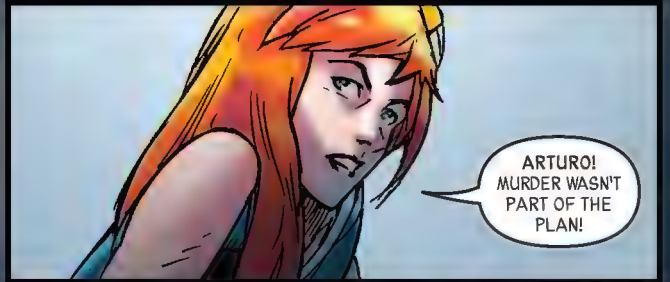
STOP!
ASHER--
STOP
THEM!

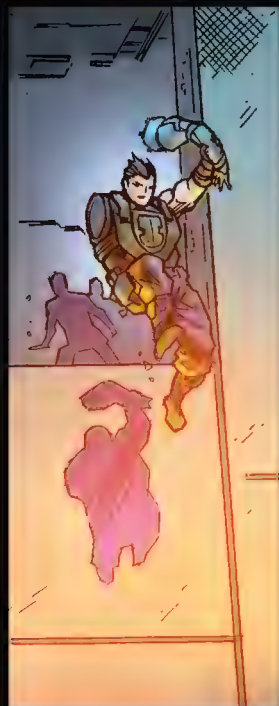
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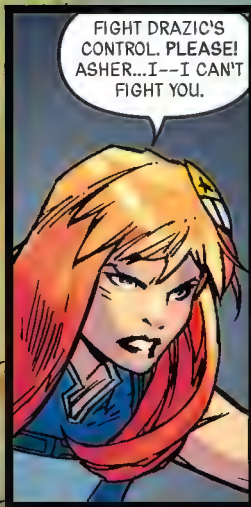


AGHHHHH!!



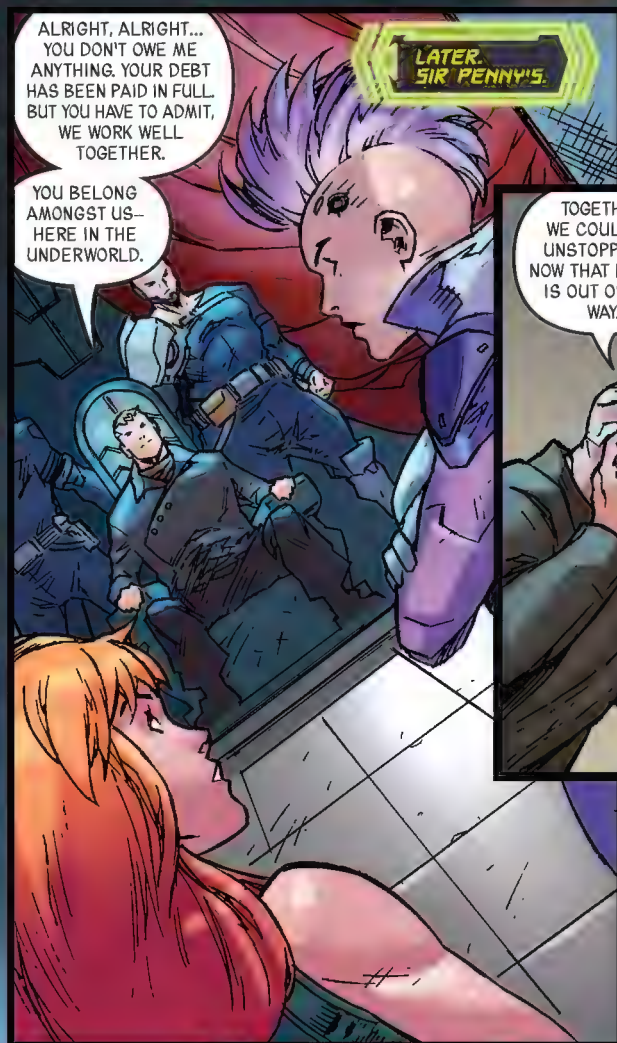












ALRIGHT, ALRIGHT... YOU DON'T OWE ME ANYTHING. YOUR DEBT HAS BEEN PAID IN FULL. BUT YOU HAVE TO ADMIT, WE WORK WELL TOGETHER.

YOU BELONG AMONGST US— HERE IN THE UNDERWORLD.

LATER.
SIR PENNY'S.



TOGETHER WE COULD BE UNSTOPPABLE NOW THAT DRAZIC IS OUT OF THE WAY.

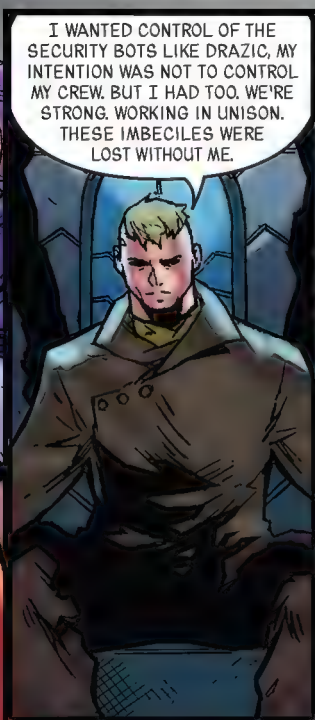
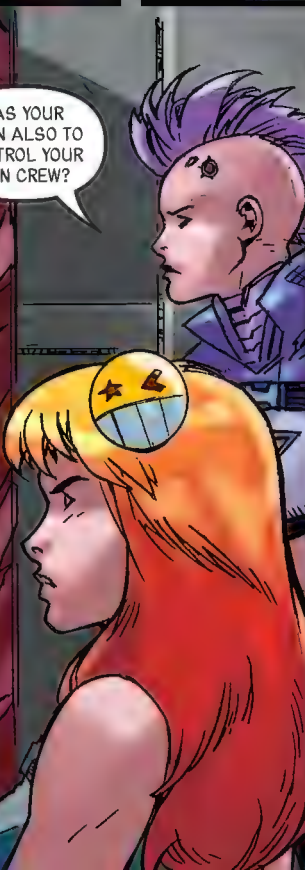


YOU TURNED ON DRAZIC, THE MOST POWERFUL MAN IN THE CITY. WAY MORE POWERFUL THAN US. HOW DO WE KNOW YOU WON'T BETRAY US AS WELL?

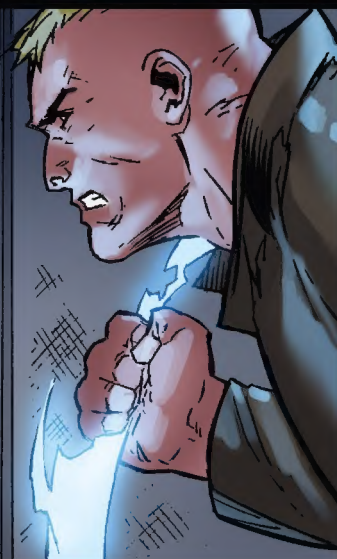


MY PLAN WAS TO OVERTHROW DRAZIC ALL ALONG. PEOPLE IN SUITS LIKE HIM SHOULDN'T RUN THE WORLD. THE LEADERS OF THE STREETS DESERVE TO RUN IT.

WAS YOUR PLAN ALSO TO CONTROL YOUR OWN CREW?



I WANTED CONTROL OF THE SECURITY BOTS LIKE DRAZIC, MY INTENTION WAS NOT TO CONTROL MY CREW. BUT I HAD TOO. WE'RE STRONG. WORKING IN UNISON. THESE IMBECILES WERE LOST WITHOUT ME.



AMBITION, POWER,
PEOPLE CAN'T HELP
THEMSELVES. YOU'VE
CHANGED. DEVYN HAS
SHOWN US THAT.

WITH ASHER'S
HELP I'VE
RELEASED YOUR
CONTROL OF THE
NECTAR USERS.



YOU DARE---?!
SHE DOESN'T
KNOW NOTHING
ABOUT US!



DEVYN, YOUR
TEAM HAS BEEN
THROUGH A LOT. YOU
HOLD NO DEBTS WITH
ME AND MY CREW.

NO NEED
FOR YOU TO
WITNESS THIS.

WHAT IS THIS---?!
YOU WANT MY LEGACY,
ARTURO? I GATHERED
THESE STREET RATS AND
MADE THEM WARRIORS.
YOU'RE NO LEADER. YOU
CAN'T HANDLE MY
POWER!



ARG! WAIT.
NO! THAT'S NOT
WHAT I MEANT!
OUR POWER!



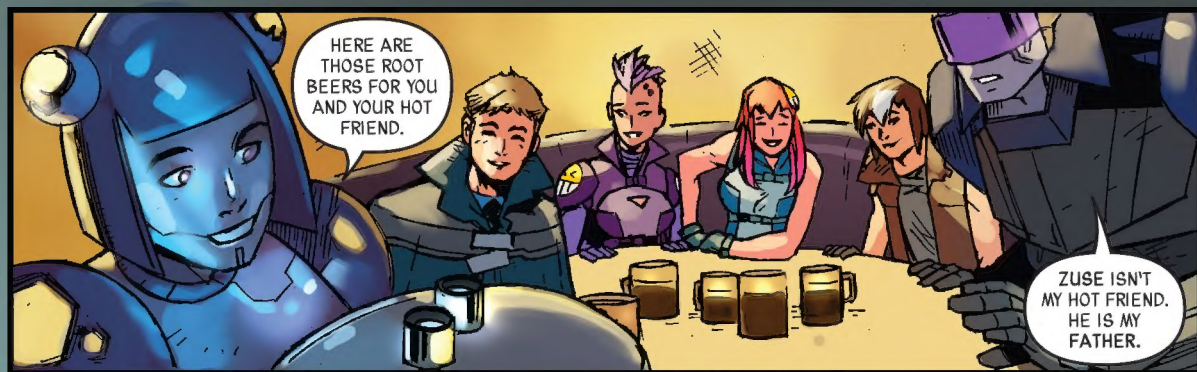
OUR POWER!
WE'RE ALL FAMILY
HERE! YOU CAN'T--
ARRAAHHH!!





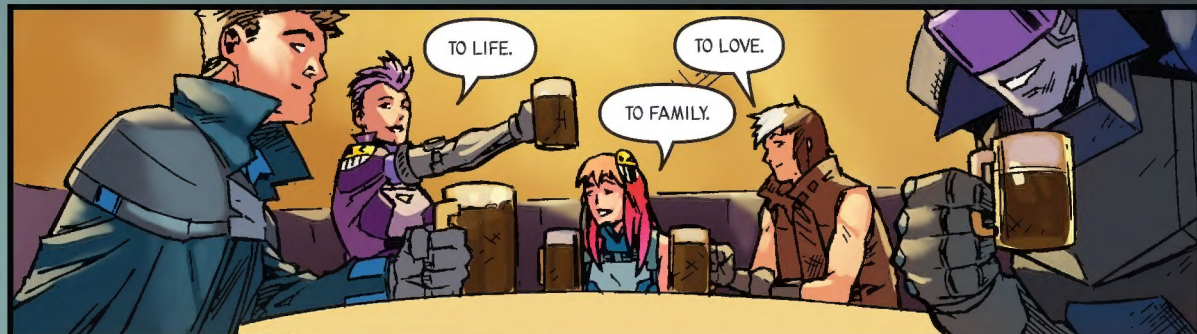
WHAT A NIGHT.
I CAN'T BELIEVE WE'RE
ALL HERE, BREATHING...
TOGETHER. I JUST WANT TO
SAY THAT I LOVE YOU ALL
AND NEVER WANT TO LEAVE
ANY ONE OF YOUR SIDES.
ESPECIALLY ZUSE'S...NOW
THAT HE IS YOUNGER
AND HOTTER.

HEY!



HERE ARE
THOSE ROOT
BEERS FOR YOU
AND YOUR HOT
FRIEND.

ZUSE ISN'T
MY HOT FRIEND.
HE IS MY
FATHER.



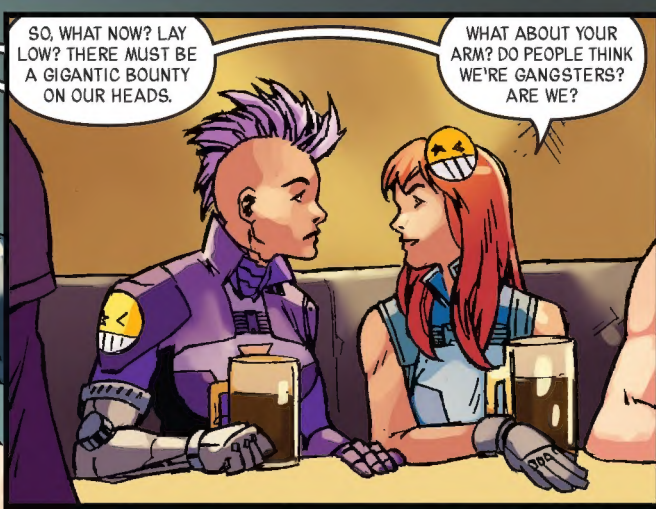
TO LIFE.

TO LOVE.

TO FAMILY.



CHEERS!



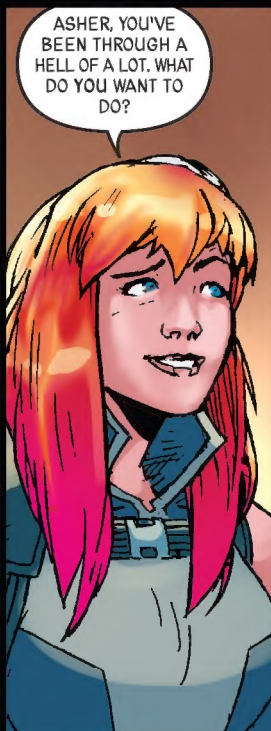
SO, WHAT NOW? LAY
LOW? THERE MUST BE
A GIGANTIC BOUNTY
ON OUR HEADS.

WHAT ABOUT YOUR
ARM? DO PEOPLE THINK
WE'RE GANGSTERS?
ARE WE?



WE'RE...
LIBERATORS. WORKING
TO MAKE THE WORLD A
BETTER PLACE BY SHARING
INFORMATION--AND MAKING
SOME MONEY WHILE WE
DOING IT. LET'S CALM DOWN
AND TAKE IT ONE DAY
AT A TIME.

AND
I'LL KEEP THE
SYNTHETIC ARM.
IT'S A REMINDER
THAT EVERY BATTLE
COULD BE OUR
LAST.



ASHER, YOU'VE
BEEN THROUGH A
HELL OF A LOT. WHAT
DO YOU WANT TO
DO?

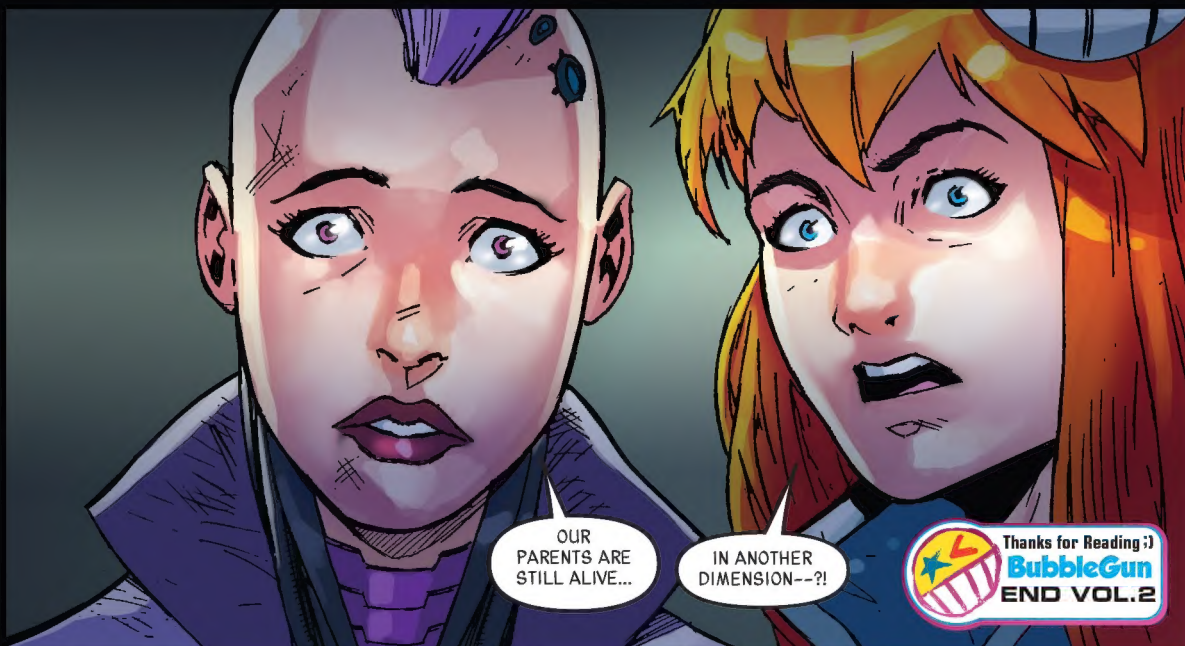


WHEN WE WERE
IN THAT SERVER ROOM
STEALING THE NECTAR
FORMULA FOR SIR PENNY...
I ACTUALLY HACKED
SOME ADDITIONAL
INFORMATION.



CROSS-DIMENSIONAL TRAVEL IS
PROVEN TO EXIST. IT WAS CREATED TO
FIND AN ALTERNATE FUEL SUPPLY--BY
YOUR PARENTS. THEY DISAPPEARED
WHILE ACTIVATING AN EXPERIMENTAL
UNSTABLE PORTAL. THE PROJECT
WAS SHUT DOWN.

I'D LIKE
TO RECREATE
THE EXPERIMENT
AND FIND YOUR
PARENTS.



OUR
PARENTS ARE
STILL ALIVE...

IN ANOTHER
DIMENSION--?!



Thanks for Reading :)
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